

Targets for Heavy Ion Fusion Energy

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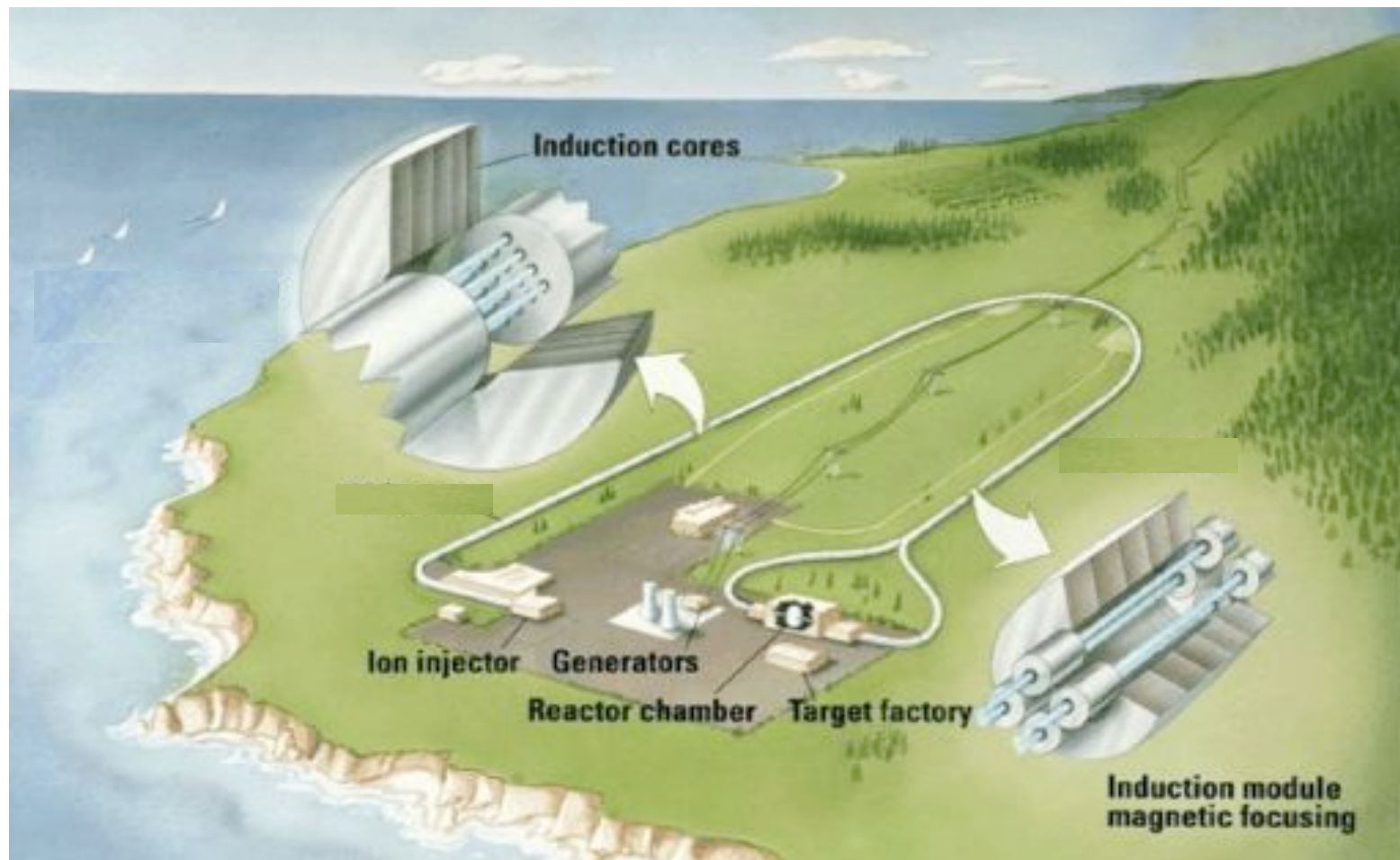
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Heavy ion fusion: Induction accelerator drivers are durable, efficient, and enable high pulse rates (like transformers)



Heavy ion accelerators of multi-MJ fusion scale would be comparable in scale to today's large NP accelerators like GSI-FAIR, RHIC \Rightarrow Economical for 1-2 GW_e baseload power plants.

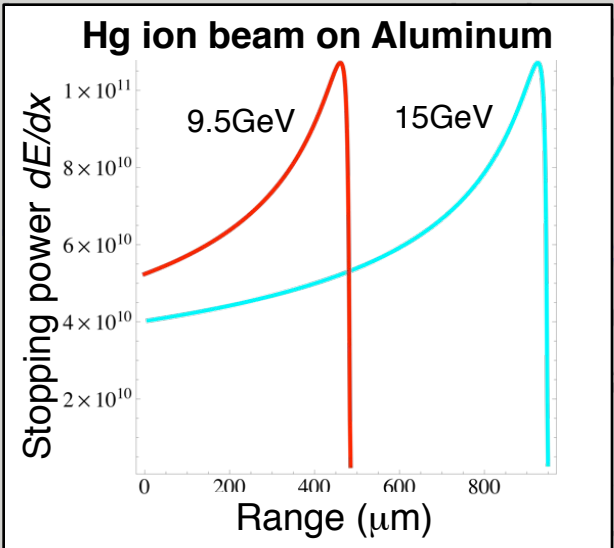
Why heavy-ion drivers for inertial fusion energy?



- **Established accelerator base:** High energy particle accelerators of MJ-scale beam kinetic energy have (separately) exhibited intrinsic efficiencies, pulse-rates, average power levels, and durability required for IFE (→transformers)
- **Robust final optics and chamber transport:** Focusing magnets for ion beams avoid direct line-of-sight damage from target debris/n- γ -radiation, and could last many full-power-years.
- **Thick-liquid-protected chambers:** Offer >30-year lifetime, no blanket changeout, potential near-surface-disposal of waste, and may avoid the need for a 14-MeV-neutron materials development program
- **Unique target dynamics:** Heavy ions stop by dE/dx with near-classical deposition (lasers stop at critical density and can undergo parametric instabilities). Ion range can be tailored by control of beam kinetic energy, ion species and target materials (→single-sided drive targets?)

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Stopping power dE/dx

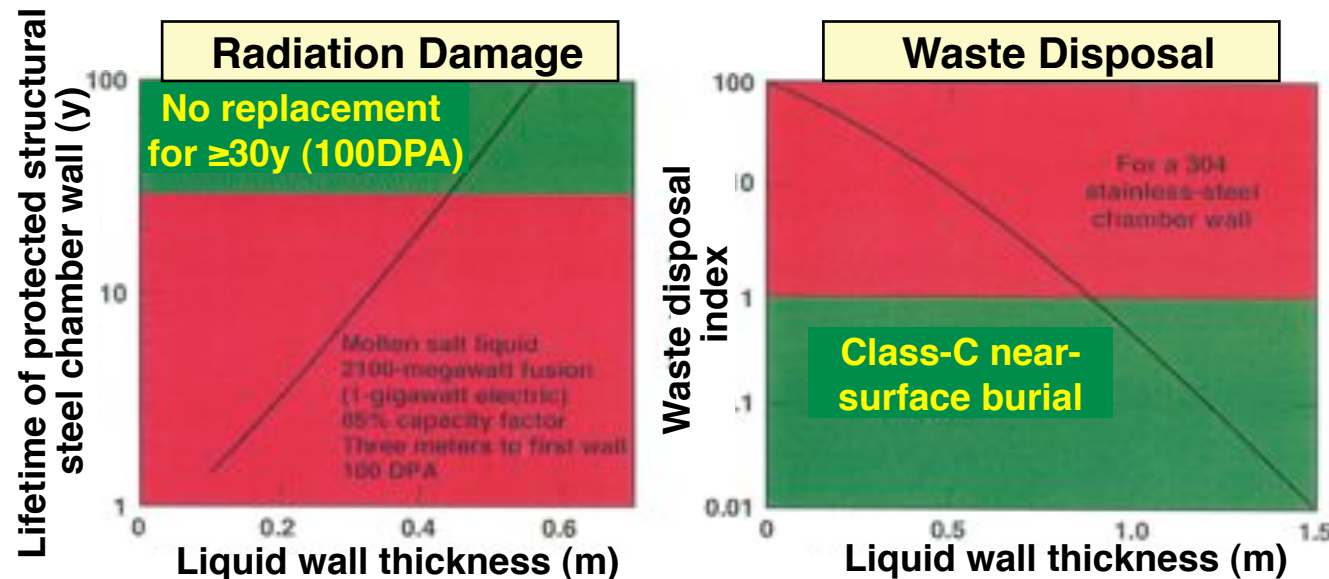
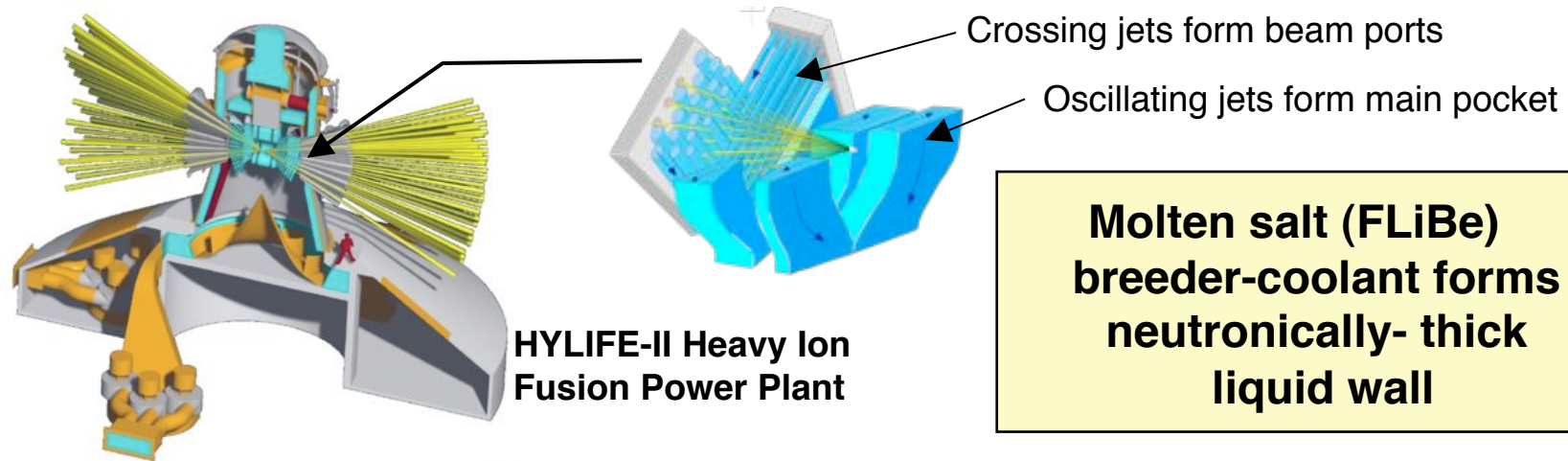
Range (μm)

9.5 GeV

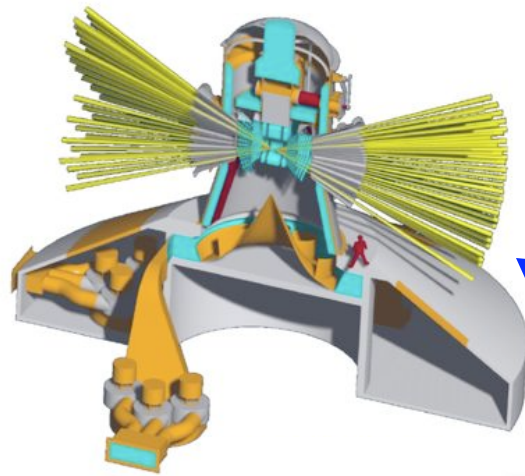
15 GeV
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\Rightarrow We can take advantage of the very different interaction dynamics of heavy ions relative to lasers, within the same radiation-hydrodynamic-burn target simulation codes

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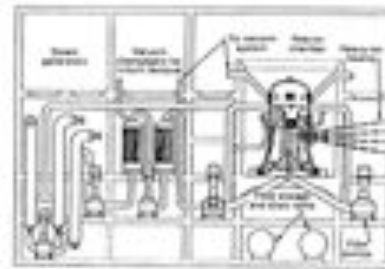


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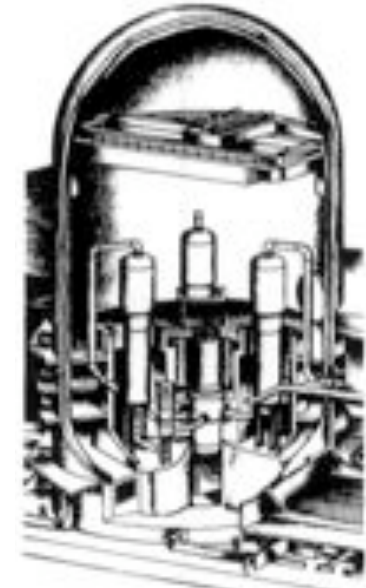


Crossing jets form beam ports

to scale



HYLIFE-II Heavy Ion
Fusion plant



Westinghouse APWR-1300

protected structural
chamber wall (y)

No replacement
for $\geq 30y$ (100DPA)

Molten salt liquid
2100-megawatt fusion

edis

Class-C near-

The size, cost and complexity of a the fusion chamber and primary loop (less the driver) is projected to be ~similar to that of a fission reactor.

The heavy ion driver is the single largest cost item in the plant

Liquid wall thickness (m)

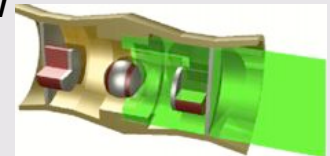
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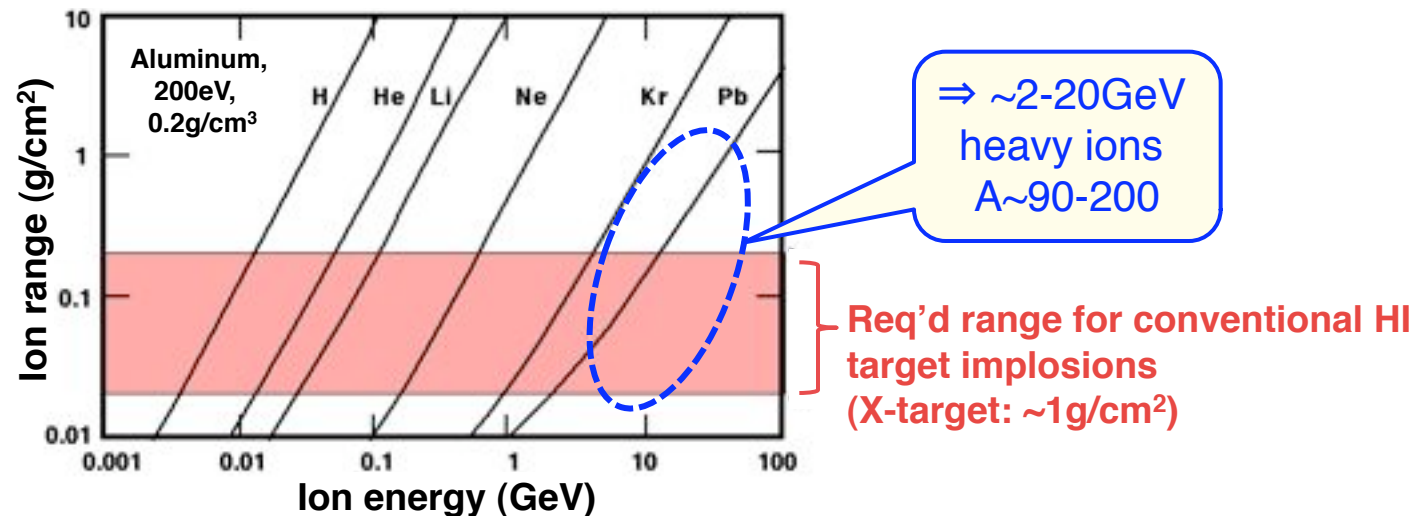
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- **Focal spot dia:** $\sim 4\text{-}8 \text{ mm}$



Deliver energy at higher ion kinetic energy:

- \Rightarrow lower beam current \Rightarrow less space charge at focus
- \Rightarrow need higher ion mass to meet range stopping requirement



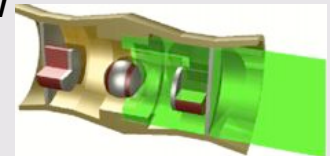
Heavy ion stopping in dense target plasmas is near-classical and predictable

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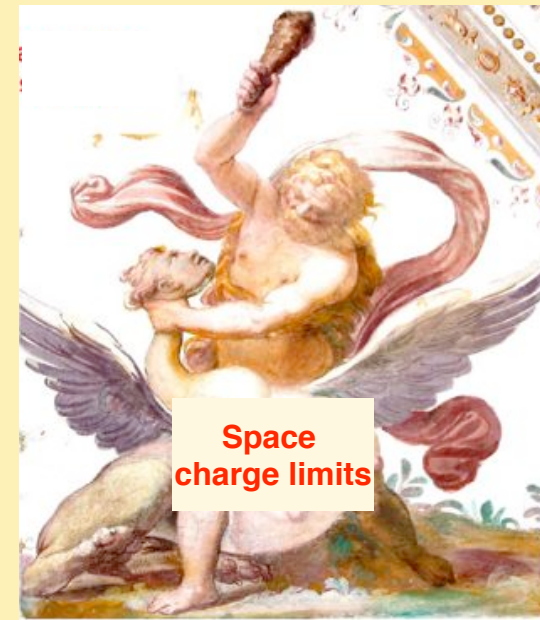
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These target requirements dictate the design requirements for the heavy-ion driver:

- *short pulse lengths ($\sim 10 \text{ ns}$)*
- *high peak powers ($\sim 100 \text{ s TW}$)*
- *small focal spots ($\sim 5 \text{ mm}$)*
- *at large focal distances ($\sim 5 \text{ m}$)*


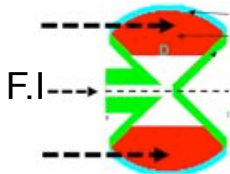
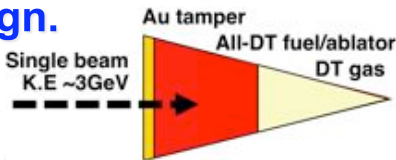
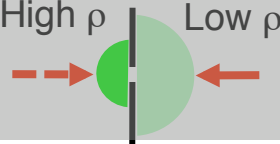
This is manageable using heavy ions at high kinetic energies



Space
charge limits

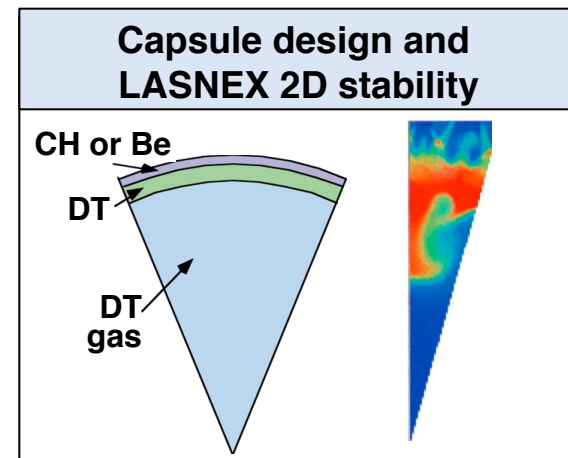
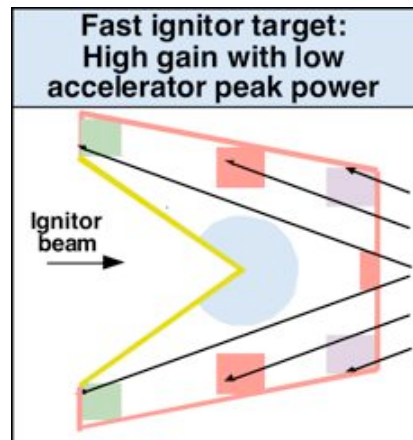
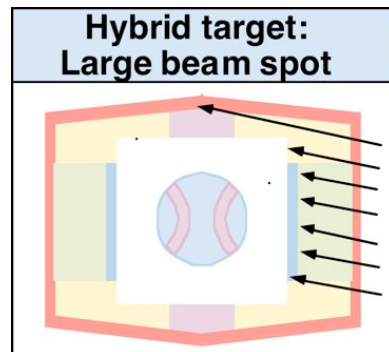
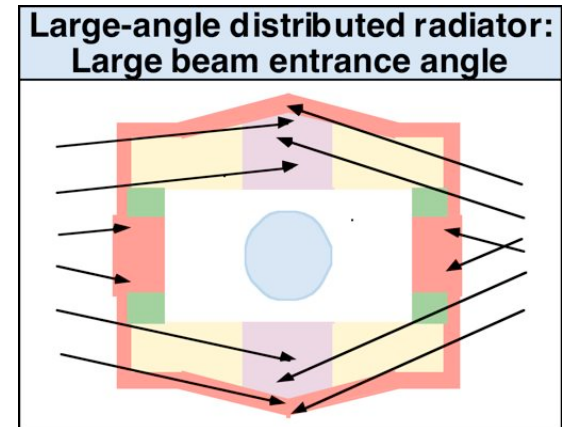
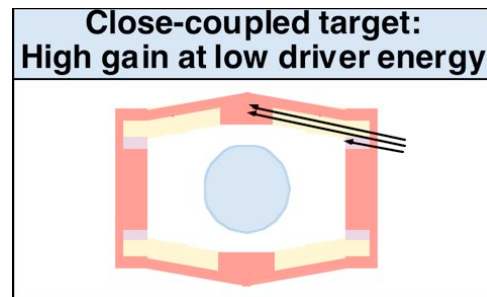
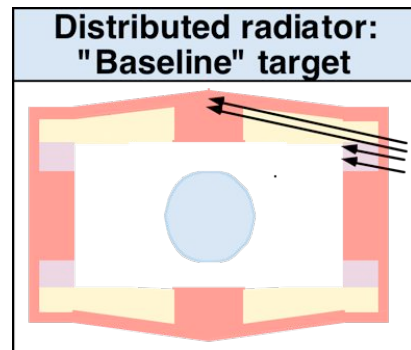
Heavy Ion Targets: There are several target classes under study....



	Features	Issues
Indirect drive 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Integrated 2D designs exist • Ablation physics on NIF • Natural two-sided geometry 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Low drive efficiency • Lower gains, high driver energies
Direct drive X-target 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inherent one-sided drive, all-DT • High coupling efficiencies • Reduced stability issues • Potential for high yields (~GJ) and gains 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High gains require high densities under quasi-3D compression • Higher ion kinetic energies • High power hollow beams needed for fast ignition • Driver concepts immature
Direct drive - tamped, shock ign. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High coupling efficiencies (tamped ablation) • Simple targets • High gains consistent with single ion-kinetic-energies (~2-10GeV) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Optimum ion species and energy • Two-sided (polar) geometry to be established** • Stability to be confirmed
(Dual density geometry) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Highest potential gains • Potential one-sided drive • Application to advanced energy conversion 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complex hydro design process to achieve two-sided assembly

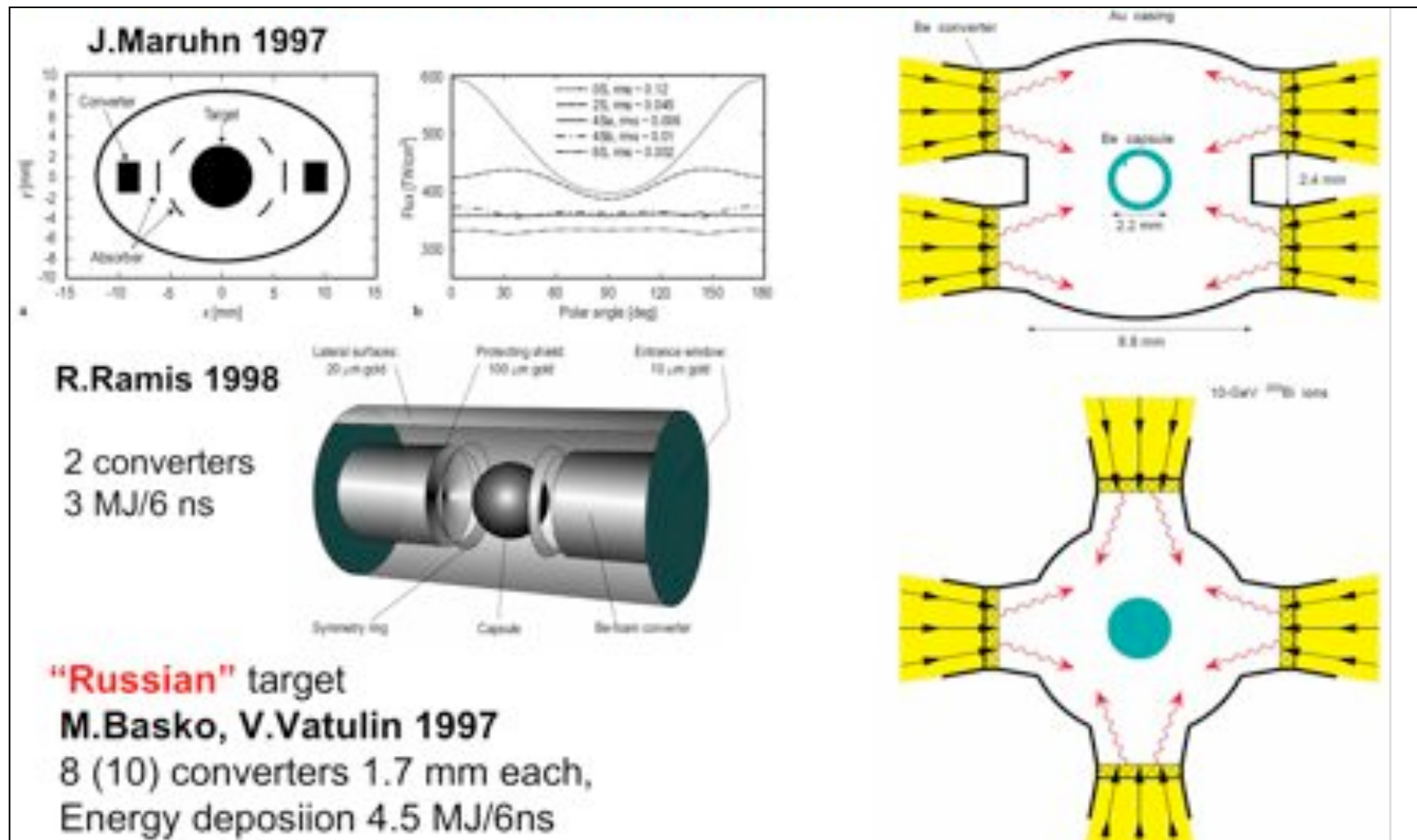
An integrated target-driver R&D program can be identified for each of these target design classes.

Indirect drive hohlraums with \sim NIF hot-spot-ignition implosion physics: The U.S. has looked at a range of options

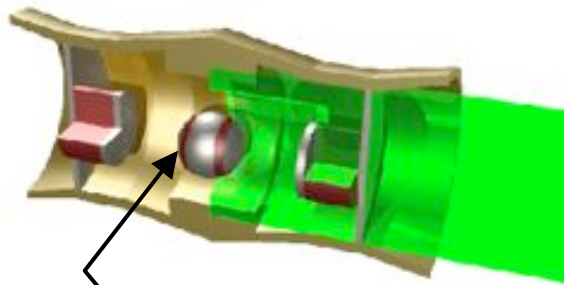


The capsule implosion physics for indirect drive heavy ion fusion will likely be validated on NIF

Indirect drive hohlraums with ~NIF hot-spot-ignition implosion physics : The Europeans have also been active in this area

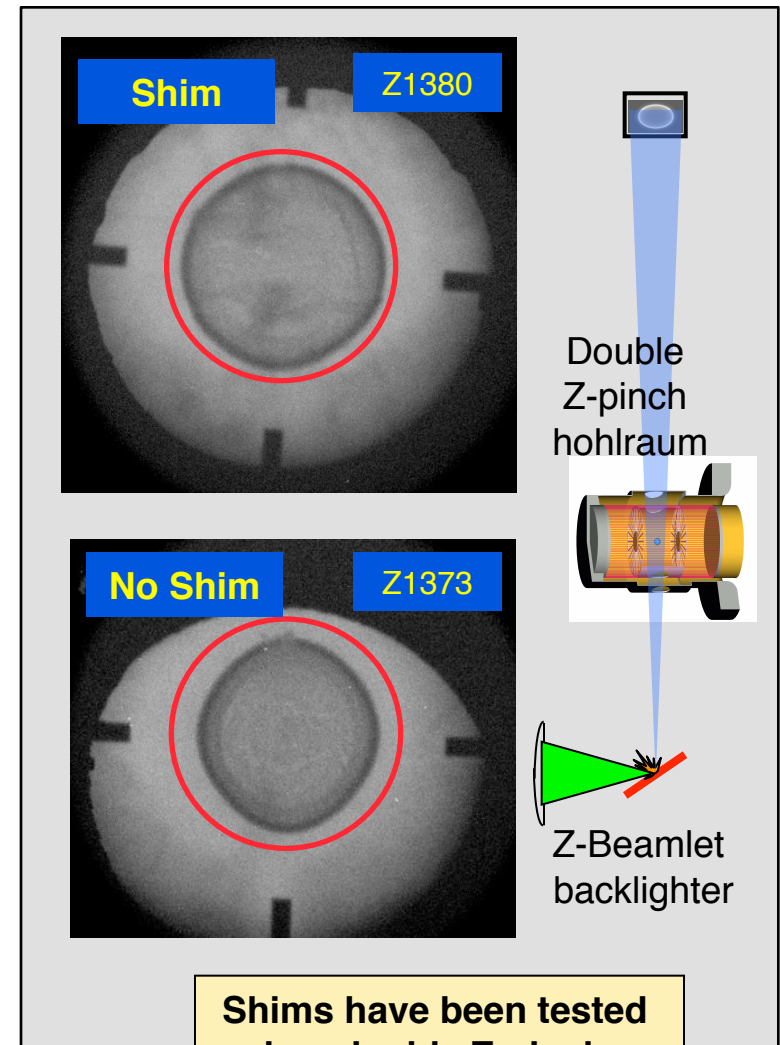
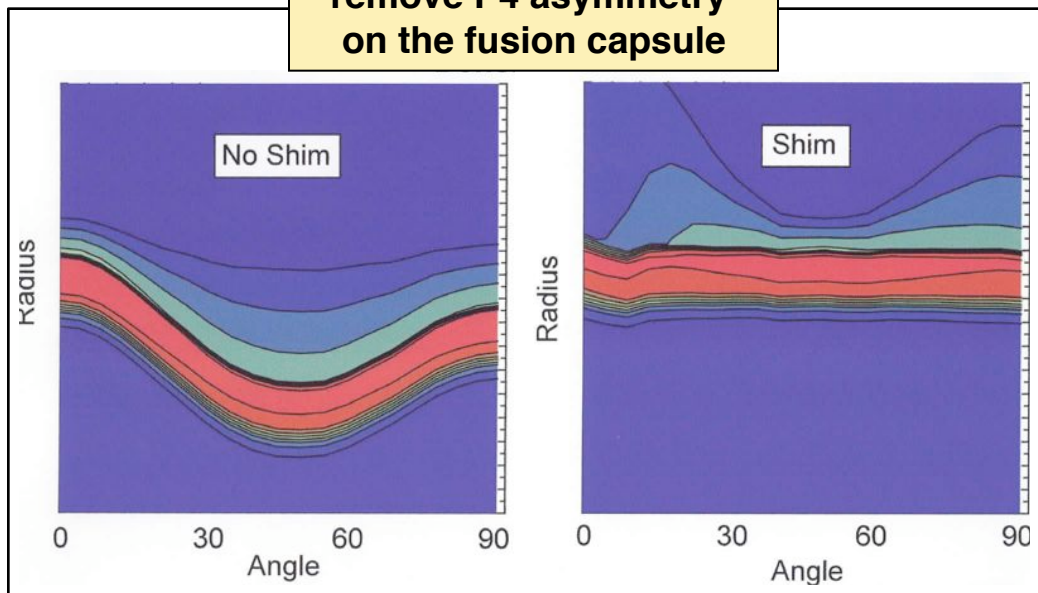


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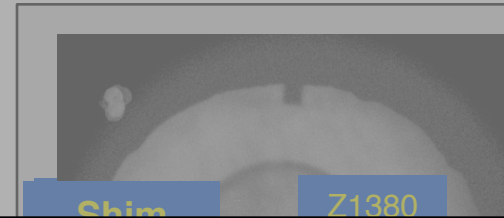
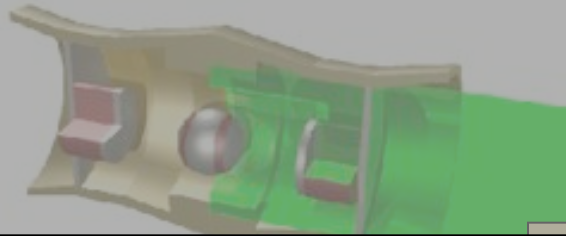
Hybrid target:
Large beam spots
- $\sim 8 \times 11 \text{ mm}$

Shims are predicted to
remove P4 asymmetry
on the fusion capsule

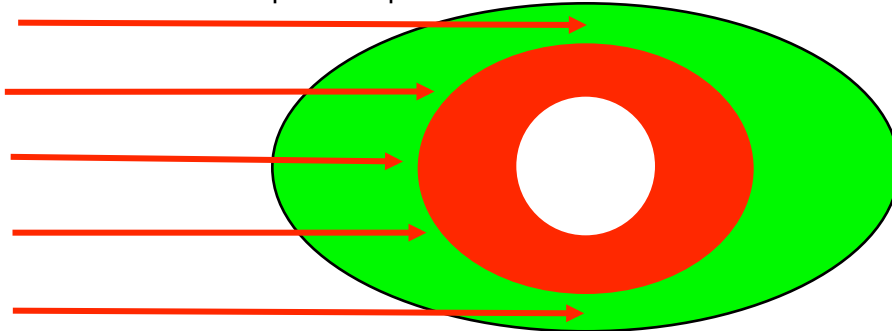


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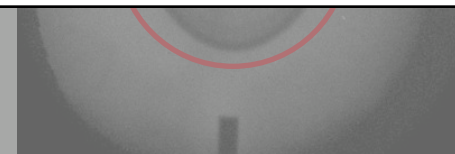
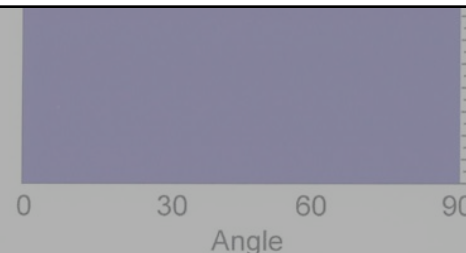
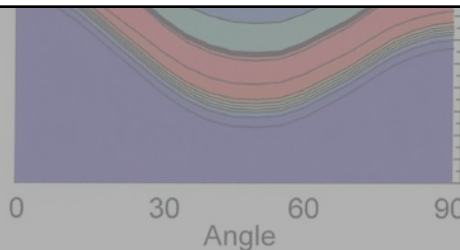


~ same
rho-R ?



**Heavy ions deposit
volumetrically!**

**⇒ Target shimming and/or radial/
temporal energy control. Is there
is a solution – and can we find it?**



Z-Beamlet
backlighter

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Indirect drive hohlraums with ~NIF hot-spot-ign implosion physics: Three U.S. designs have been followed in detail



Standard Hohlraum

Gain ~60 at 6-7MJ

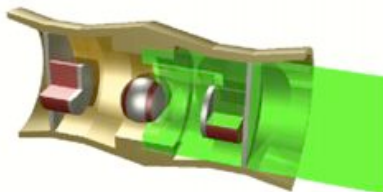
(CCR=2.1 Beam spot ~3.5x8mm)



Close-Coupled

Gain ~130 at 3.3MJ

(CCR=1.6 Beam spot ~3mm)

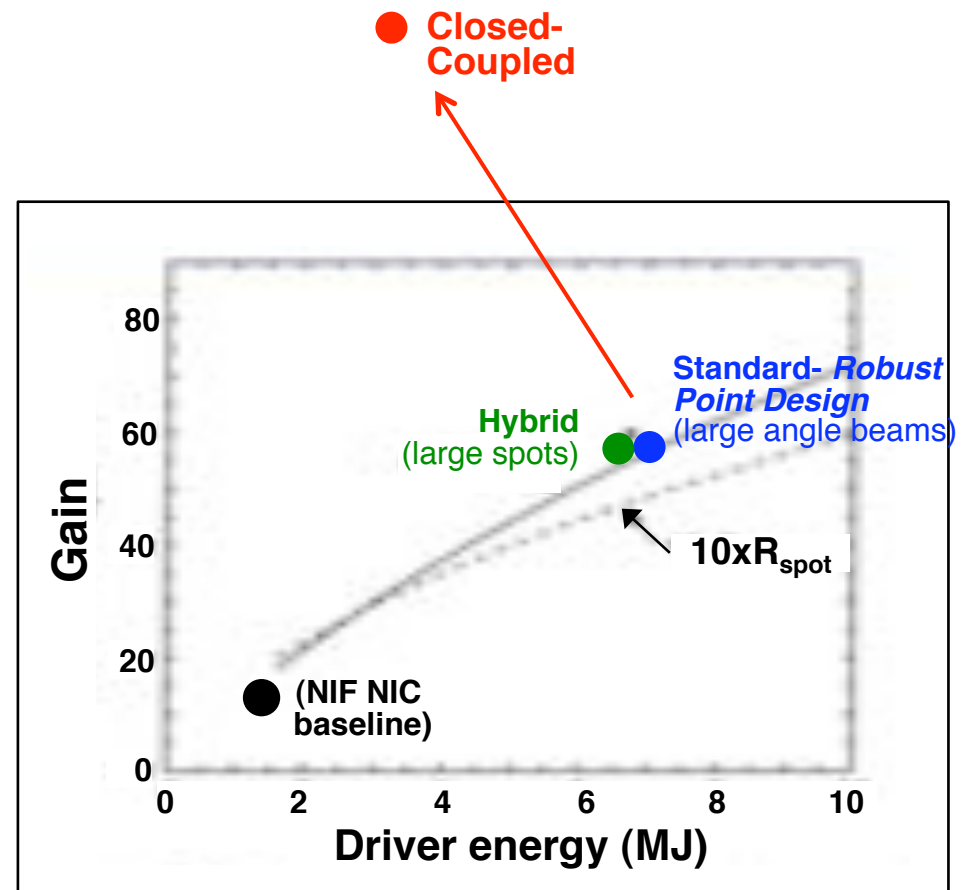


Hybrid Target (shims)

Gain ~60 at 7MJ

(Beam spot ~8x11mm)

~3-4.5Gev Pb⁺



**Heavy ion indirect drive will likely require
larger driver energies
(but HI driver cost scales only as ~energy^{0.5})**

The key to higher gain *Part-1*: Low implosion velocity



High target gain requires:

- High ρR , \Rightarrow more fuel burnup
- Low V , \Rightarrow more fuel mass assembled for given driver energy

$$G = \frac{Y_{fusion}}{E_{driver}} = \frac{Y_{fusion}}{\frac{1}{2} m_{fuel} V^2 / \eta} \sim \frac{\rho R / (\rho R + 7)}{V^{1.3}}$$

Ref. 1

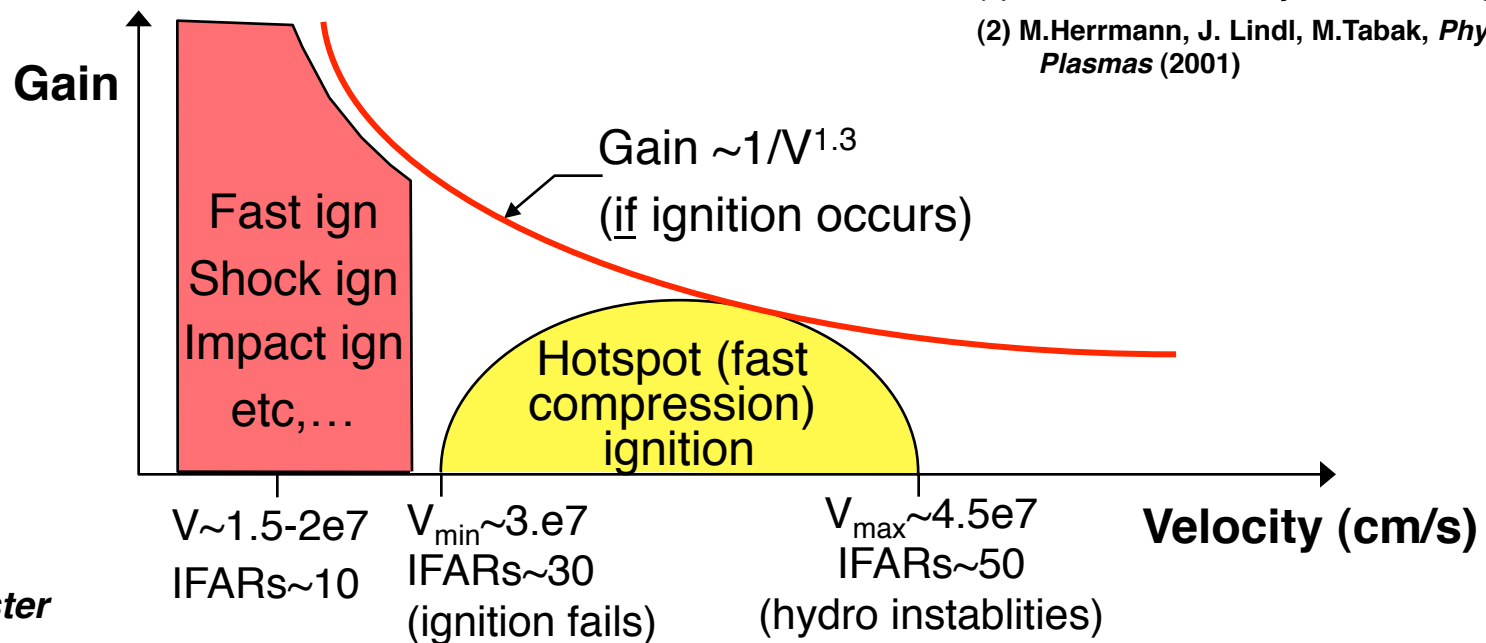
But “hotspot” (= fast-compression) ignition needs high velocity to minimize ignition energy

$$E_{ign-req'd} \sim \frac{\alpha_{FD}^{1.8}}{V^6}$$

Ref. 2

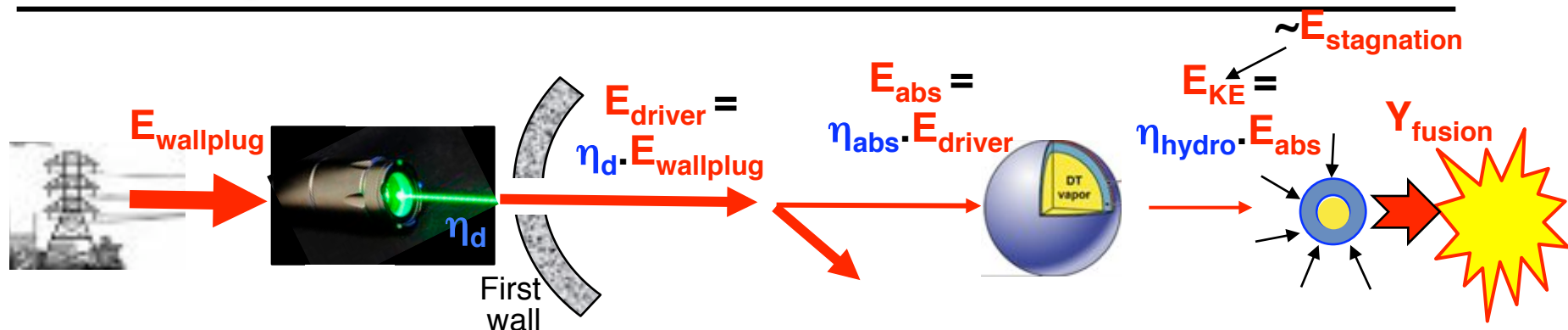
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The key to higher gain *Part-2*: High driver-target coupling efficiencies



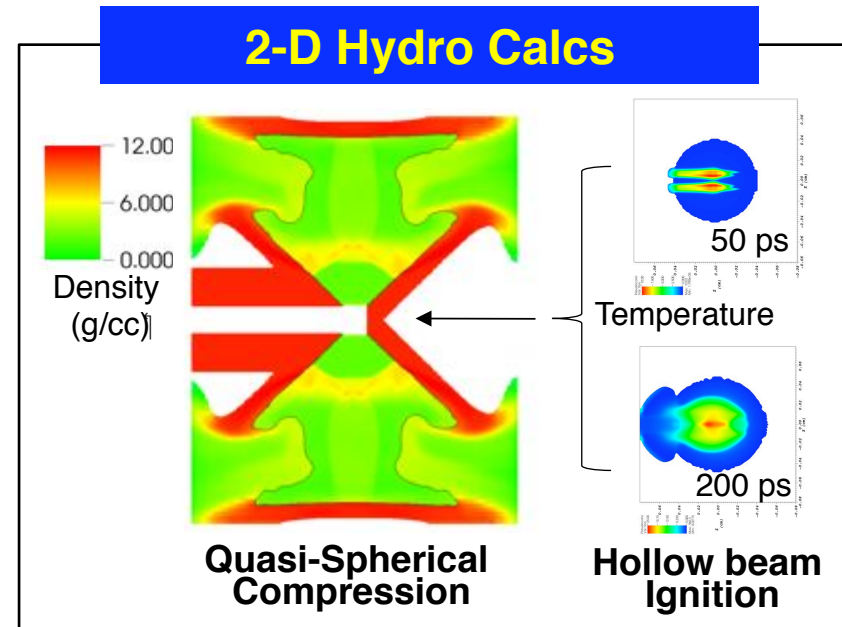
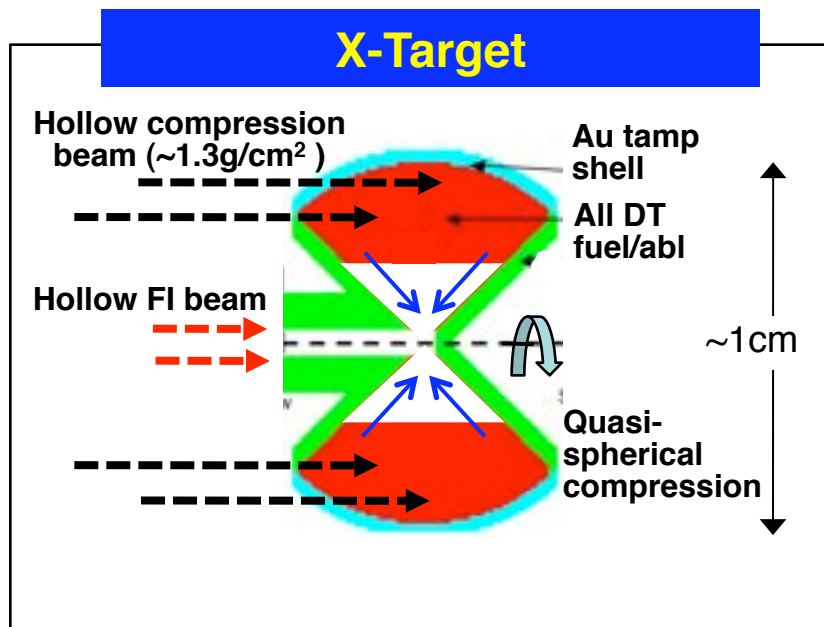
		Driver electrical efficiency η_d	Absorption efficiency η_{abs}	Hydro (rocket) efficiency η_{hydro}	System drive efficiency $E_{\text{wallplug}} \rightarrow E_{\text{KE}}$ $= \eta_d \cdot \eta_{\text{abs}} \cdot \eta_{\text{hydro}}$
Laser direct		~0.05-0.20	~0.85	~0.06-0.1 (ablativ)	~0.01
Laser indirect		~0.05-0.20	~0.15-0.3	~0.1-0.15 (ablativ)	~0.005
Heavy ion direct		~0.25-0.40	~0.9	~0.20 (tamped ablativ)	~0.05
Pulsed power direct		~0.3	~0.2 - 0.3 (direct magnetic)		~0.05

The heavy ion X-target:

Potential for one-sided drive and high gain/yield



- Potential one-sided drive → thick liquid wall chambers
- Large fuel masses, all-DT, potential for high gains/yields $\geq 1\text{GJ}$
- Low-velocity low-aspect-ratio fuel assembly
- More robust to high-mode stability – low CR $\sim 7\text{-}10$ (needs fast ignition)



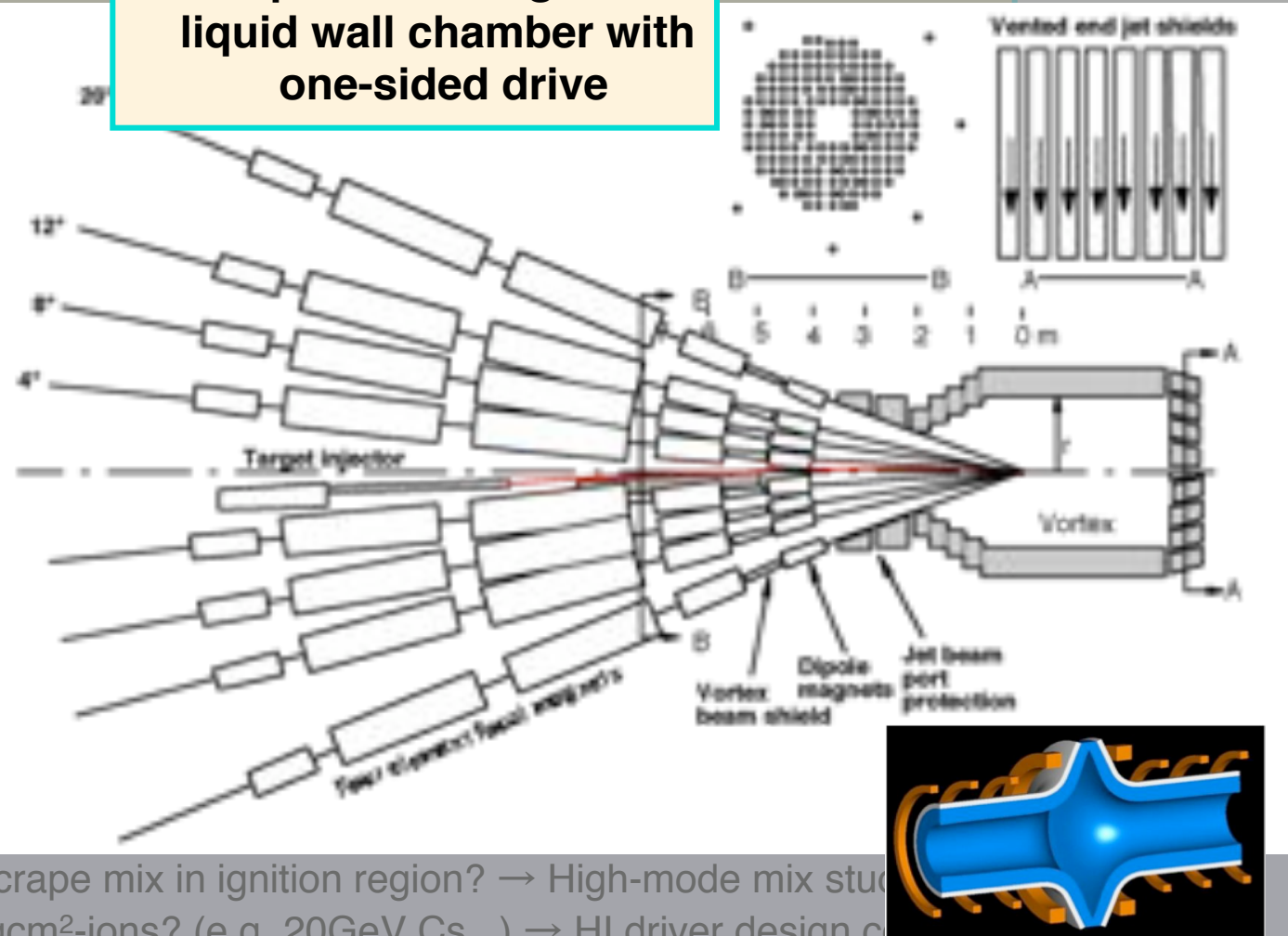
- High gain needs med-high-density quasi-spherical assembly → **2D hydro optimization**
- Requires efficient ignition source → **Hollow-beam fast ignition design (and B_θ lens?)**
- Effect of high-Z scrape mix in ignition region? → **2D-3D high-mode mix studies**
- Driver design yet to be established → **Need long ion ranges $\sim 1.3\text{g/cm}^2$ (20GeV Cs...?)**

The heavy ion X-target: Potential for one-sided drive and high gain/yield



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- Large fuel
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Conceptual rotating vortex liquid wall chamber with one-sided drive

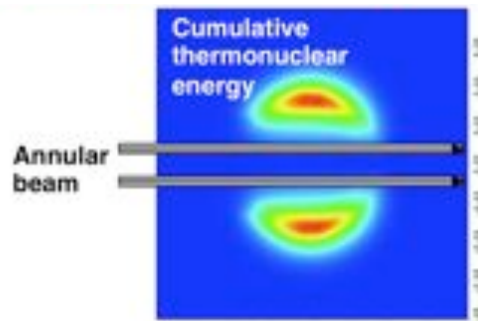


Range
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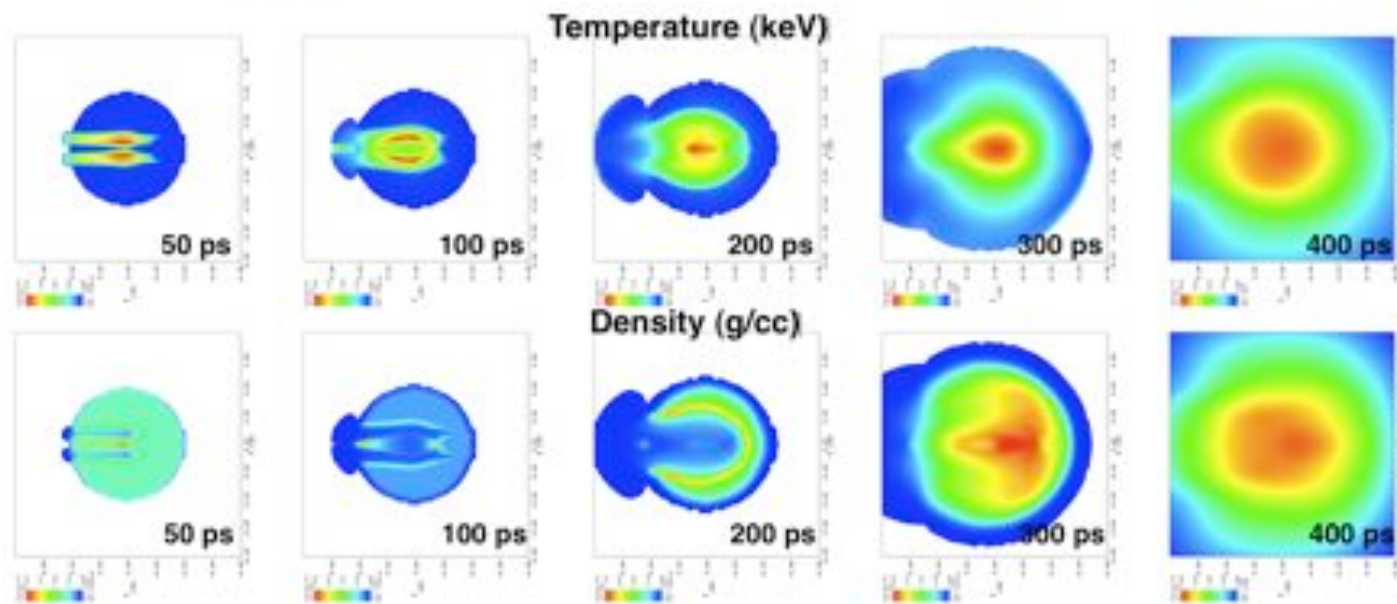
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The heavy ion X-target: Simulation of fuel ignition and fusion burn using a hollow heavy-ion fast ignition beam



- Previous 2D studies of hollow-beam ignition in compressed fuel have been performed by Herrmann, Tabak and Artzeni
- Here: Initial compressed fuel : 800 μm sphere, 50 g/cm^3 .
- 60 GeV U hollow beam , 750 kJ, 50 ps, 200 μm dia.



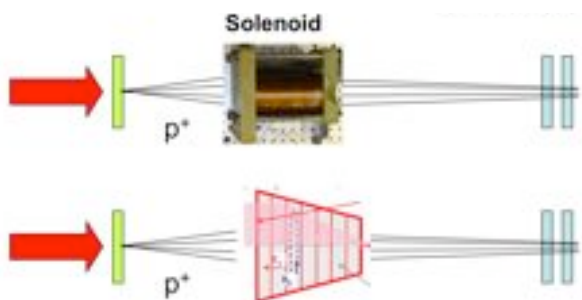
**Fusion yield
=750MJ**

Stringent pointing, focusing and power requirements will require innovative beam physics solutions and attention to appropriate range ion species (20GeV Cs...?)

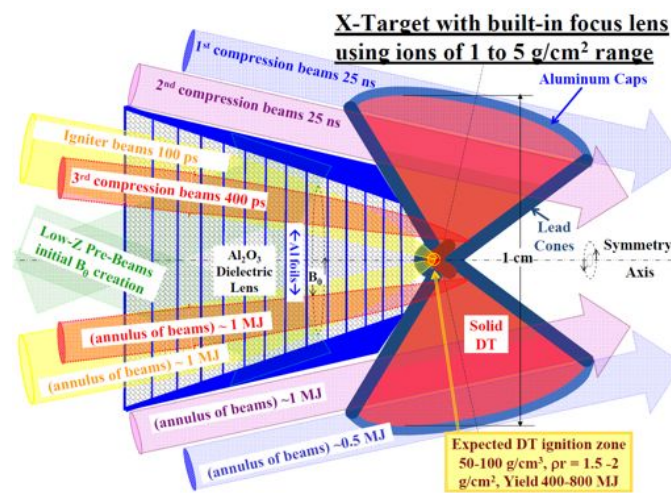
The X-target enhances 6-D phase space focusing potentially sufficient for fast ignition: But much design work to do!



Potential built-in magnetic B_θ focusing lens increases focusing angles permitting large initial spot sizes for fast ignitor beam ($\sim 1\text{rad}$ focus angles over $\sim 1\text{cm}$ with large $\sim 1\text{g/cm}^2$ ion range)

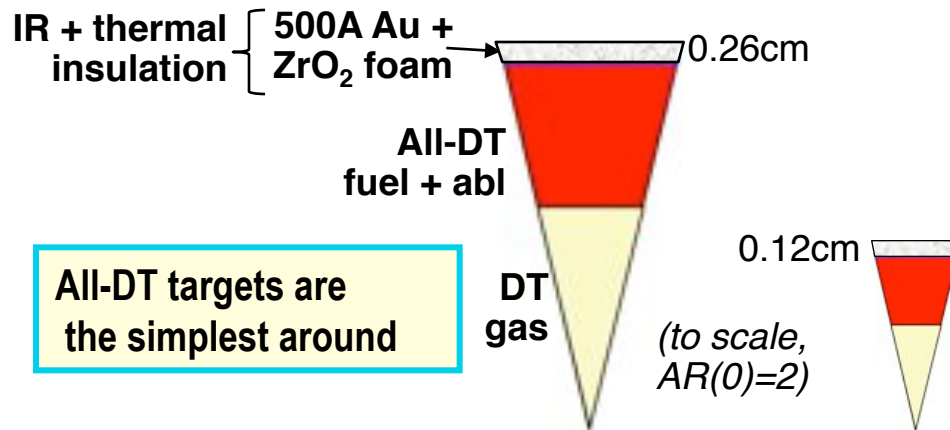


With new 100TW compressor, GSI (Darmstadt) will explore the laser driven magnetic lens in the near future



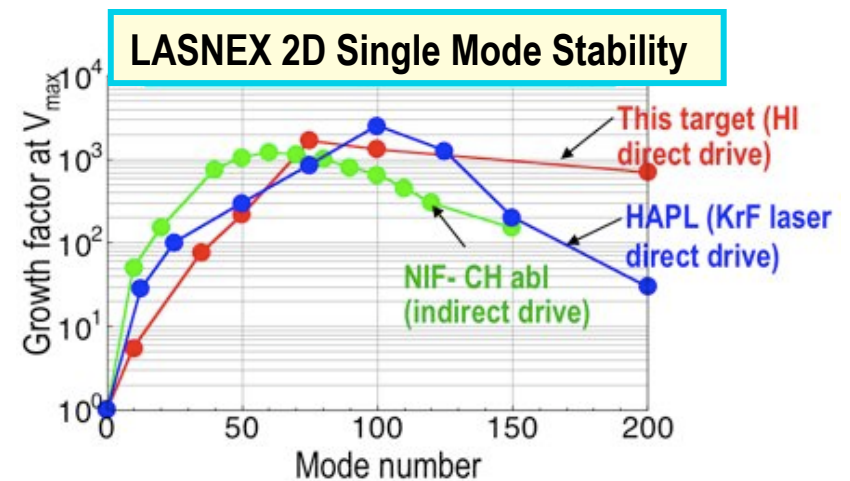
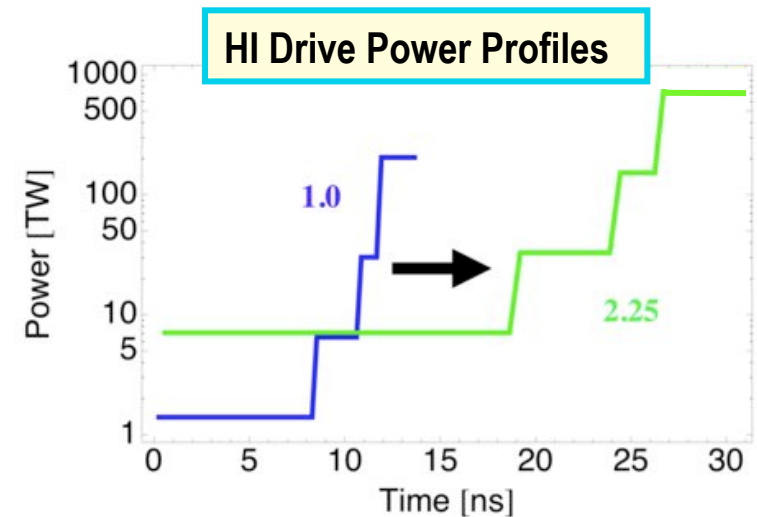
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Heavy ion direct drive (untamped): Efficient drive but requires low kinetic energy beams in the foot pulse → Focusing constraints?

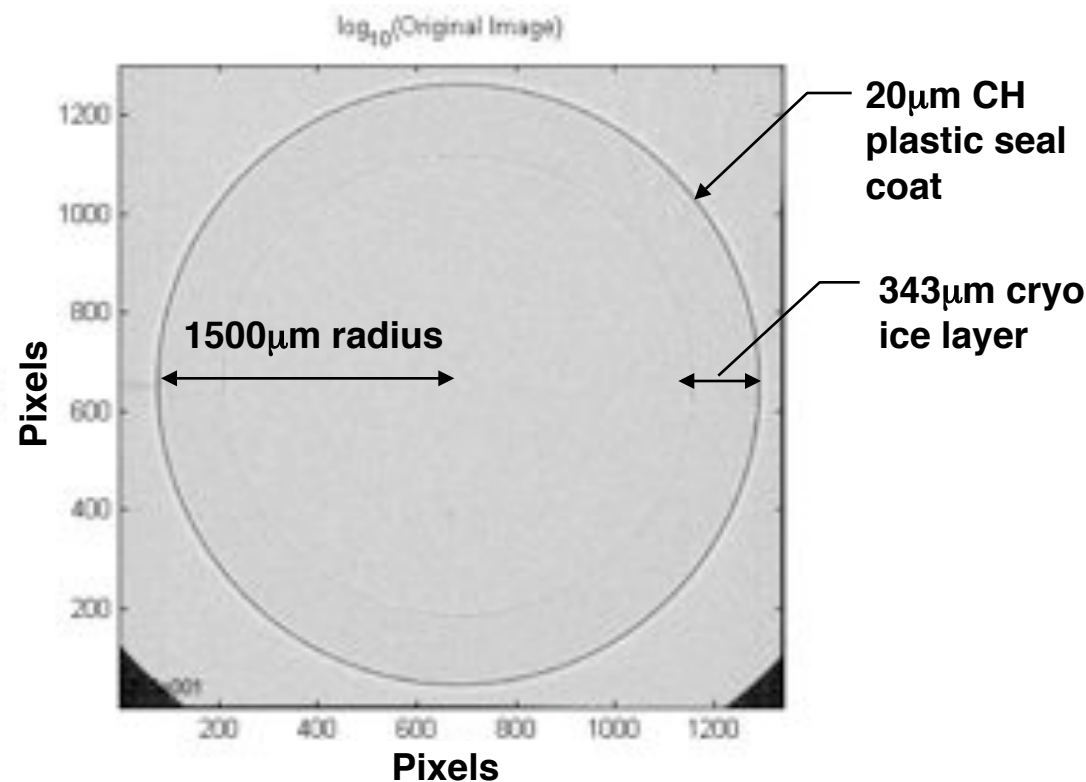


All-DT targets are the simplest around

	Reactor-class	ETR-class, NIF-equiv.
Yield (MJ) / Gain	560 / 160	20.8 / 47
HI driver energy (MJ)	3.5	0.44
Ion kinetic energies foot/main (GeV)	0.22/2.2	0.05/0.5
Peak drive power (TW)	660	205
in-flight adiabat α	2.1	3.2
$\eta_{\text{abs}} * \eta_{\text{hydro}}$	0.08	0.09



All-DT direct drive targets are the simplest around. LLE(U.Roch.) have made analogous capsules with the required specifications

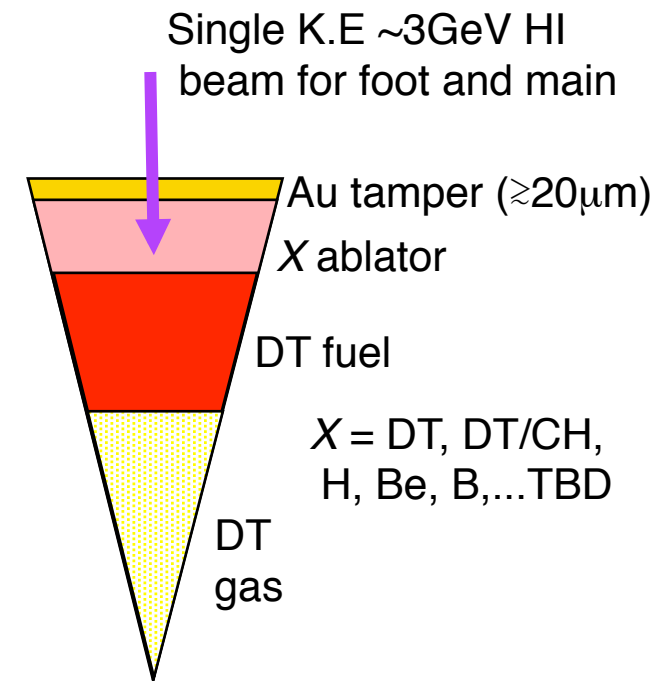


LLE cryo target
X-ray phase contrast image
(courtesy D.Harding LLE)

Direct drive: A solution to the low ion kinetic energies in the foot pulse may be found in tamped “cannonballs”



- Tamped cannonballs (TCs) can be driven with a single high-energy ($\sim 2\text{-}10\text{GeV}$) ion species
- TCs have high hydro efficiency $\leq 20\%$ (combination of direct and radiation) that compensates for energy loss in tamp
- Addition of shock ignition may enable gains ~ 100 at $\geq 1\text{MJ}$
- Further gain increases in gain are possible with zooming

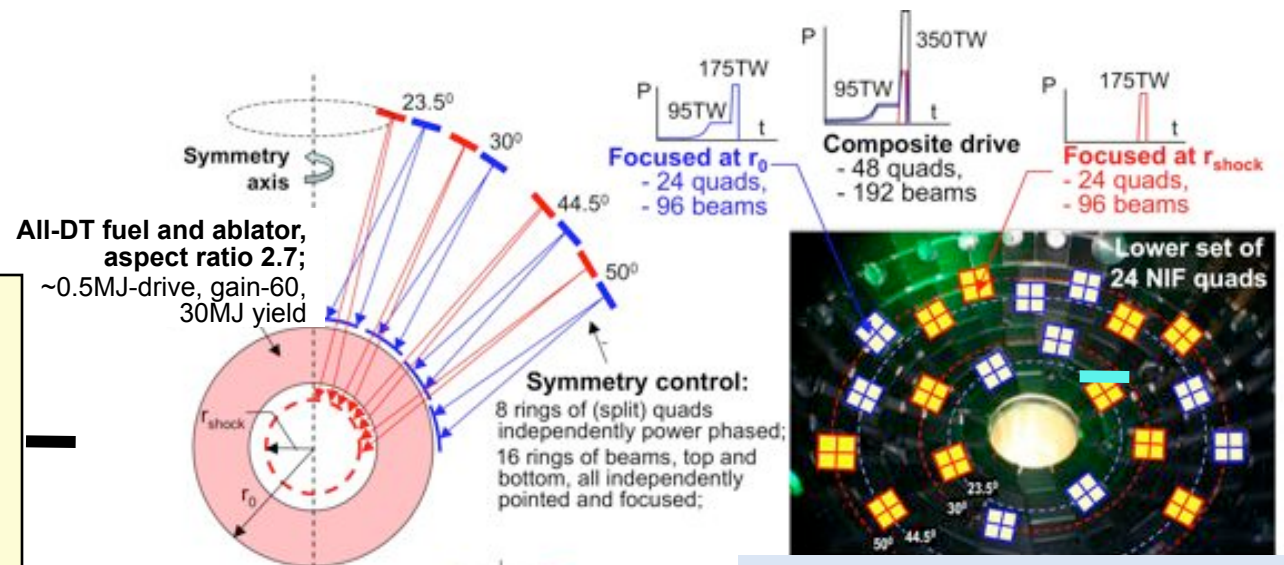


- Optimum ion species and kinetic energies TBD → Tradeoff between tamp thickness and drive efficiency
- Stability to be confirmed → Ion-driven instability (but low velocity, fat shells with high ablative ion-range/radiation smoothing)
- Two-sided polar drive geometry to be established → Will leverage NIF PPD optimization studies (but heavy-ions don't refract)

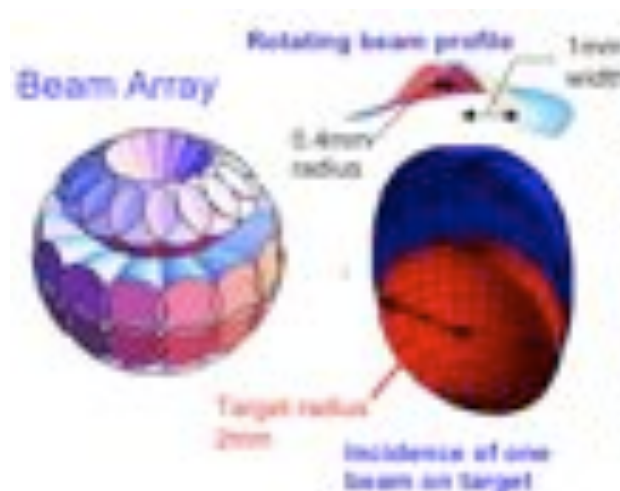
Direct drive: It is important to retain thick liquid wall options for heavy ion fusion \Rightarrow Two- sided polar direct drive?



We are leveraging current NIF studies that are optimizing polar drive symmetry through pointing, focusing and power control

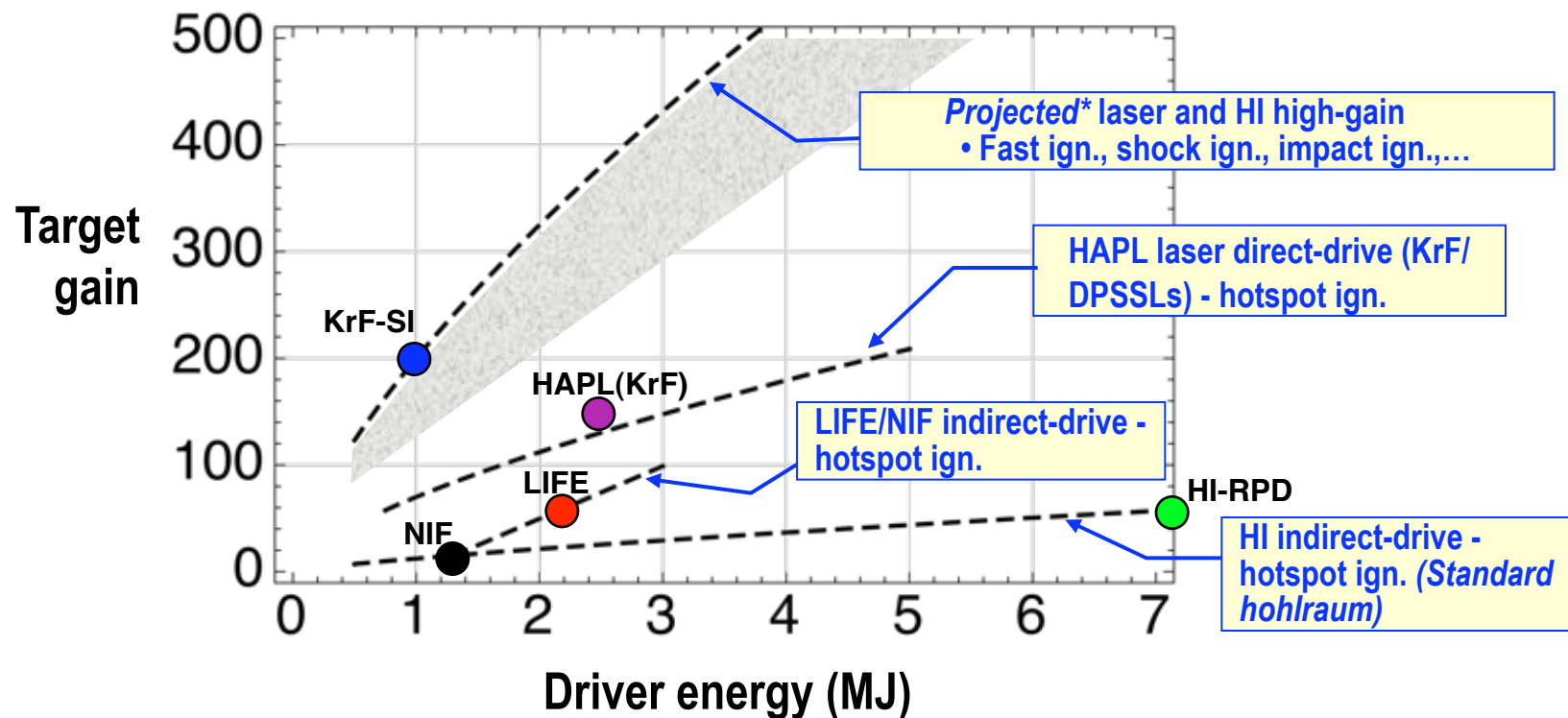


NIF lower 24 quads (96 beams)



Four annular rings of HI beams (15 each, 60 total) with hollow rotating spot can give $\sim 0.7\%$ intensity variations

Target for inertial fusion energy: Candidate gain curves...

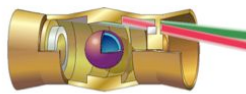


* Projected = projected in 1-D and initial 2-D studies
but not fully established in integrated designs

Where to from here: Modeling, simulation and experiments

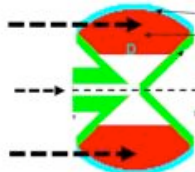


Indirect drive



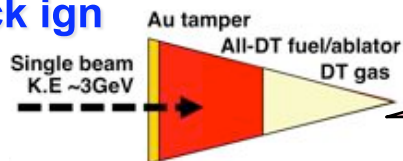
- Maintain point-of-departure design concepts
- Avenues for enhancement: Higher gain, single-side drive, single ion energy, shims...

Direct drive X-target



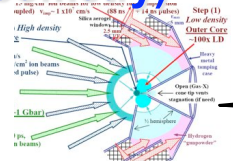
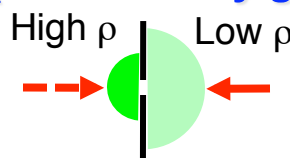
- Determine best ion species and k.energy
- Maximize assembled densities ($\geq 100\text{g/cm}^3$)
- Assess 2D-3D effects and mix
- Optimize (fast) ignitor energies and gain
- Integrate with practicable driver concept

Direct drive (tamped); shock ign



- Determine best ion species and k.energy
- Optimize 1D energetics, ablator + shock ign.
- 2D PDD symmetry and zooming
- 2D-3D stability

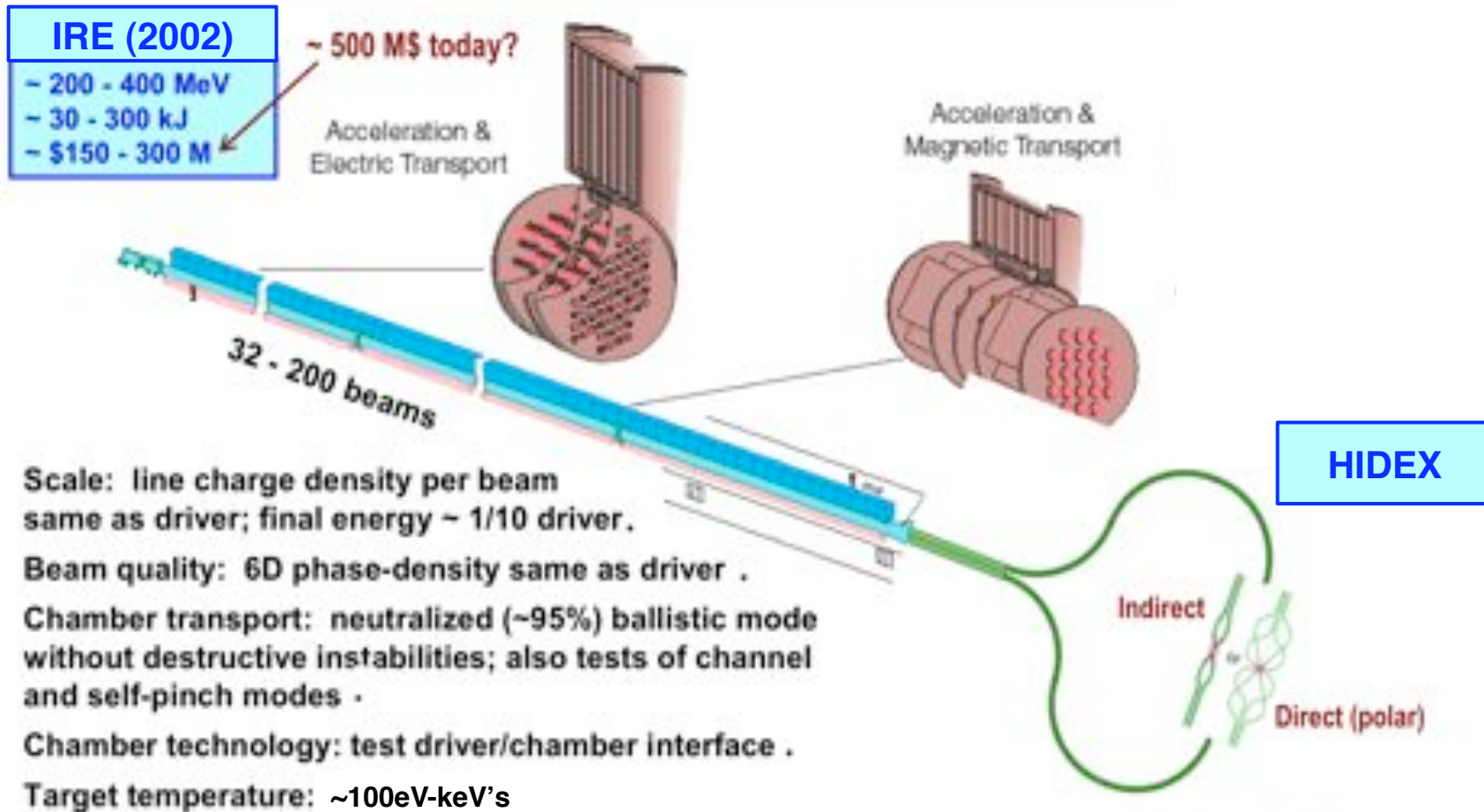
(Dual density geometry)



- Maintain as a study project for high-yield targets and energy-conversion applications

...with input from NIF and Omega experimental data iterated with HIDIX accelerator target design using models improved with NDCX-II data.

The Heavy Ion Driven Implosion Experiment (HIDIX) would enable target implosion experiments at 10's-100's kJ

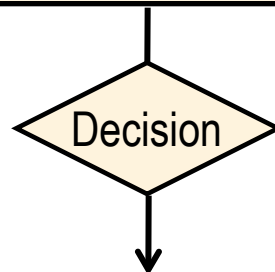


The Integrated Research Experiment (IRE) design from Snowmass-2002 could drive HIDIX for both direct and indirect drive targets

Heavy ion fusion development strategy: Target physics is integrated into the R&D phases to HIF-ETR/Demo

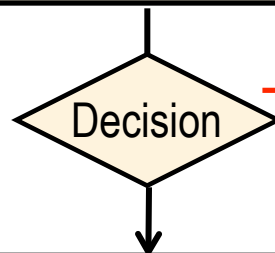


PHASE I: First 5 years: Integrated single beam accelerator experiments, benchmarked simulations, enabling technology development (e.g., magnet arrays), scaled liquid chamber experiments), **target designs for several target options, systems analysis.**



→ **Deliverable:** validation of selected heavy ion accelerator and target approach for Phase II & III

PHASE II: Next 10 years: Construct/operate 10-100kJ-scale Heavy-Ion-Driven Implosion Experiment (IRE-HIDIX), supporting liquid chamber, **target design**, target fabrication, injection R&D for **5 Hz burst-mode target experiments**. Technology development for Phase III.



→ **Deliverable:** validation of integrated multiple-beam accelerator, chamber & target design for Phase III

PHASE III: Next 20 years: Construct 2-3 MJ HIF ignition test facility for single shot tests, then burst mode, using accelerator designed for 5 Hz. If successful, add nuclear systems to upgrade to 150 MW average-fusion-power level HIF-ETR/DEMO.

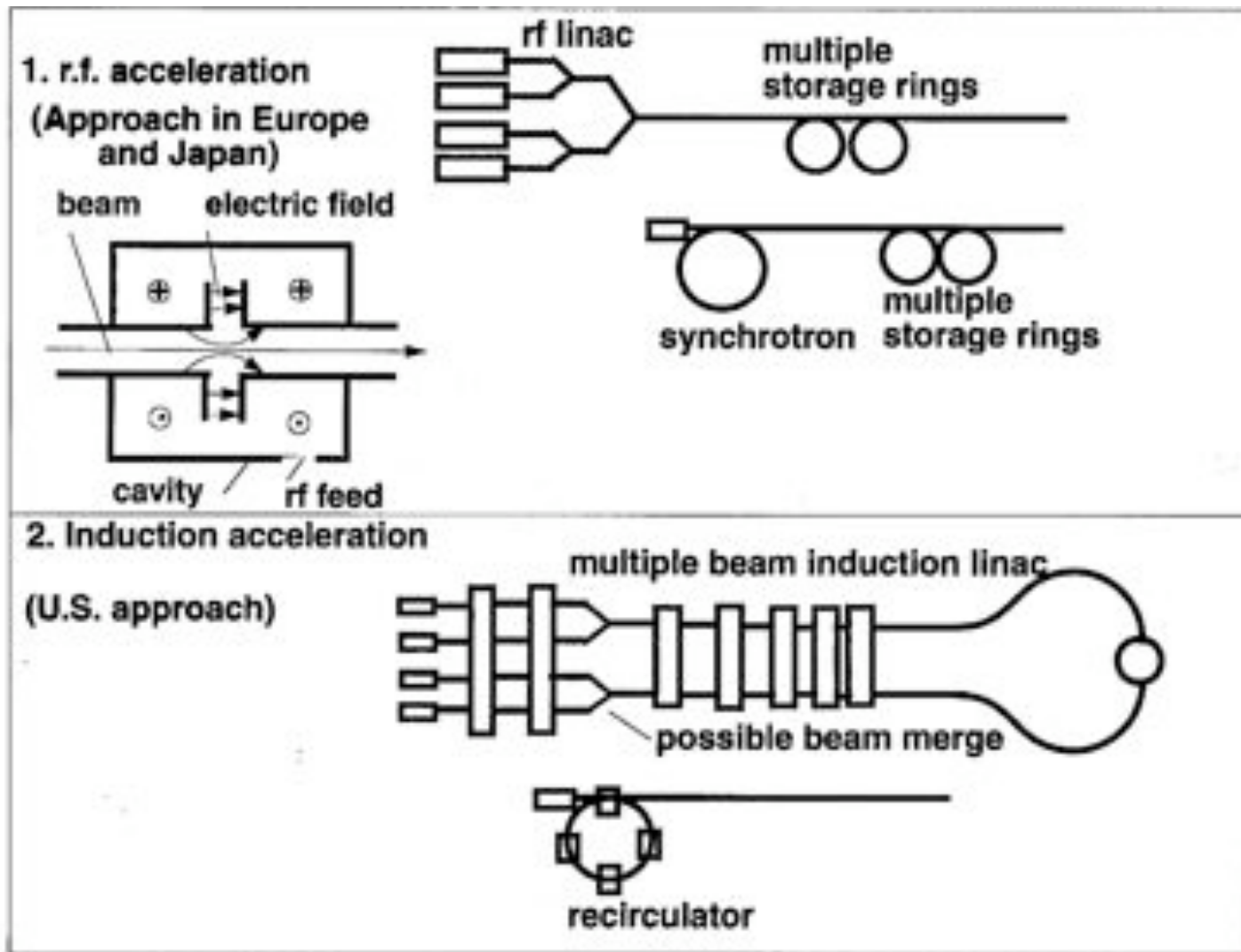


Backup slides

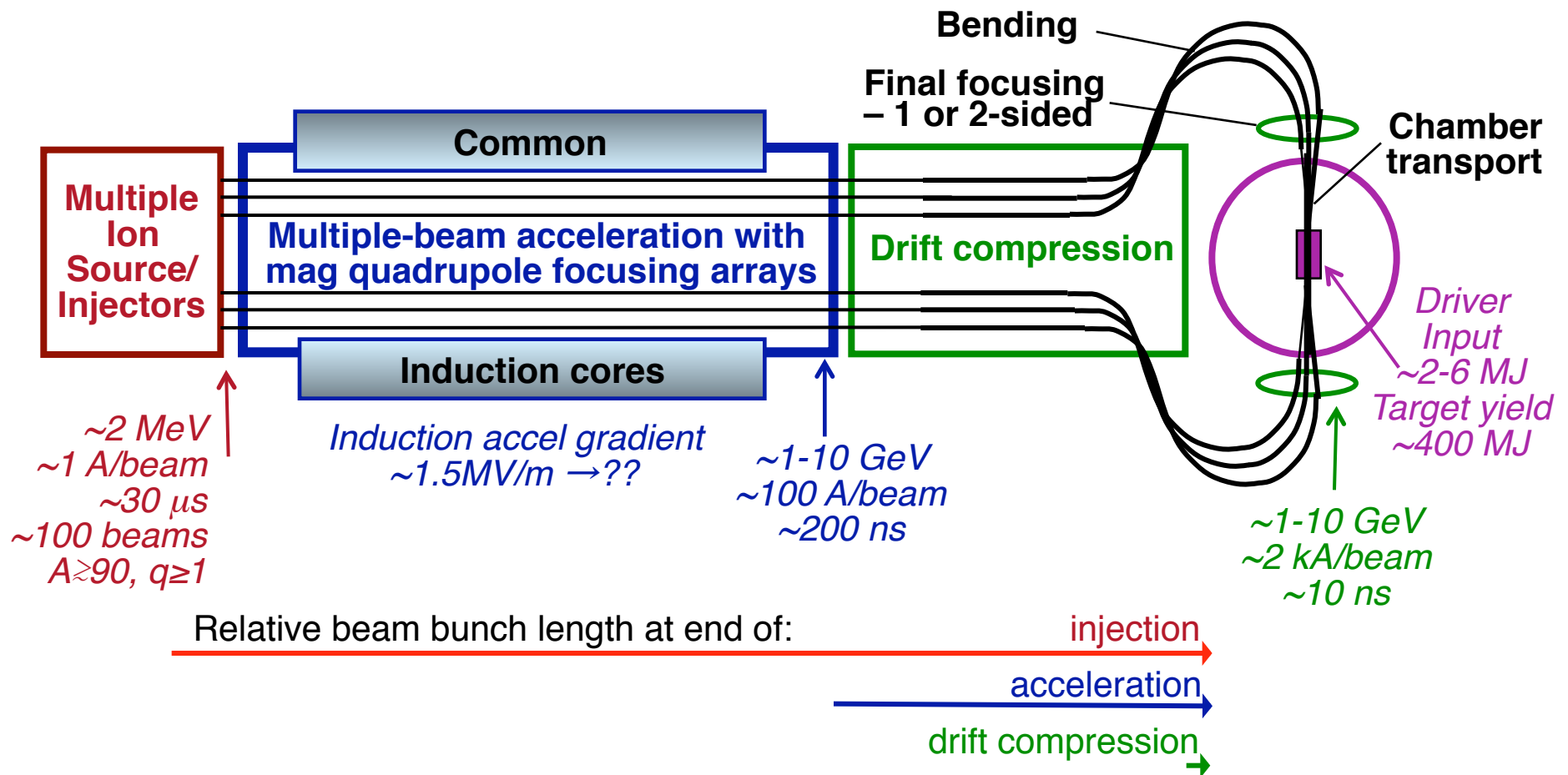
US IFE program: ~ 7 M\$/yr (constant 2010 \$) \times 30 years \sim \$200 M (constant 2010 \$)
 ~ 2 FTE/yr ave for 20 years = ~ 10 M\$ (constant 2010) - $\sim 4\%$ of NIF/NIC target effort



There are two principle methods of ion acceleration to GeV energies



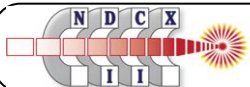
We have established design baselines for multiple-beam quadrupole-focused induction linac drivers



Power amplification to required ~ 10 TW per beam is achieved by acceleration and longitudinal bunching (drift compression) of mildly-relativistic ions

Significant scale up of accelerator energy and peak power @ *relevant ion target range* is needed for an HIF driver.

	NDCX-II	GSI-SIS18	LHC	HIF driver
Ion energy	1.2→ 6 MeV (Li ⁺)	70 GeV (U ²⁸⁺)	14 TeV (p)	10 GeV (Pb ⁺)
Beam power	0.1 to 1 GW (50Ax2MeV →150Ax6MeV)	350 MW (in 130 ns)	1 TW (100 μs dump)	4 TW / beam X100 beams (in 8.2 ns)
Beam energy	0.08 to 0.25 J	45 J	100 MJ (total dump)	6 MJ
Space charge $\Delta\phi/KE$ (final)	High 5×10^{-2}	Very Low 10^{-9}	Negligible	High to low 10^{-1} to 10^{-5}
Ion range	Low (~ 3 μm foil) 0.0001 g/cm ²	High (> WDM target) 10 g/cm ²	Way too high for IFE 10,000 g/cm ²	IFE target requirement 0.03 -1 g/cm ²



R&D roadmap to determine the feasibility of heavy ion fusion energy (#'s=M\$/yr)

Fiscal Year	2009	2013	2014	2018	2019	2023	2024	2028	2029	2033		
Integrated <u>single beam</u> HEDP/IFE exps. to maximize pressure in planar targets	7 M\$/yr → 15		25 → 20		20 → 20		15 → 15		Optimize plasma Drift, bend & focus Upgrade to 8 MV High KE ions			
NDCX-I (to 10 kBar)	7(@lbl)		1 (@ PPPL) → 5									
NDCX-II ⁽¹⁾ (to 1 MBar)		12 → 13										
NDCX-II+→IB-HEDPX ⁽¹⁾ (to 10 MBar)		1	10	13 → 11 → 6								
Intl. Collab. Exps. @ FAIR, LANSCE...	1		→ 2 → 4		→ 9		→ 10					
(each row includes theory/sim and equipment support)			<5-yr Phase I>		Key decision (CD2 for HIDIX)							
Accelerator driver R&D for 5 Hz, <u>multiple-beam</u> target experiments	0.6 → 2.5		11 → 14		25 → 100	100 → 90			→ 90			
5 Hz accelerator R&D (inc. HCX-II) ⁽²⁾		1.5	8	8	15 → 15	15						
Exp. target R&D (design/fab/inj.)	0.3 → 0.5		1	2	2.5							
Long-path accelerator R&D(UMER,PT)	0.3 → 0.5		2 → 2	2	2.5							
Heavy Ion Driven Implosion Experiment (HIDIX) (5Hz, 100 MBar)				2 → 5	80 x 6 yr		80					
Key Decision (CD2 for HIFTF)												
Heavy Ion Fusion Nuclear Science and Technology ⁽³⁾	0.4	1.5 → 3		→ 5 → 20		→ 30 → 40		→ 75	→ 310?			
5Hz HIF target design, fab, inj., tracking	0.3 → 1	2	→ 2.5	10	→ 15	20		→ 30				
Enabling liquid chamber R&D	0.1	0.5 → 1	→ 2.5	10	→ 15	20		→ 30				
Heavy Ion Fusion Test Facility (HIFTF) ~100 MJ yield single shot and 5 Hz							10 → 15	250 x 8 yr ? →				
Fiscal Year	2009	2013	2014	2018	2019	2023	2024	2028	2029	2033		
(All costs in M \$ per year) Total HIF ⁽¹⁾	8 → 19	38 → 40	65 → 150	155	180					400?		

⁽¹⁾ Budgets include HEDLP relevant to HIF, but not operations & diagnostic support for grant-funded HEDLP users

⁽²⁾ Includes multiple beam injectors, transport, and final focus arrays needed for HIDIX

⁽³⁾ Does not include MFE nuclear science and technology that may be applicable to HIF

Design

Construction

Operation/R&D

A deflecting *wobbler* field may be an effective technique for beam smoothing, uniform deposition and instability suppression



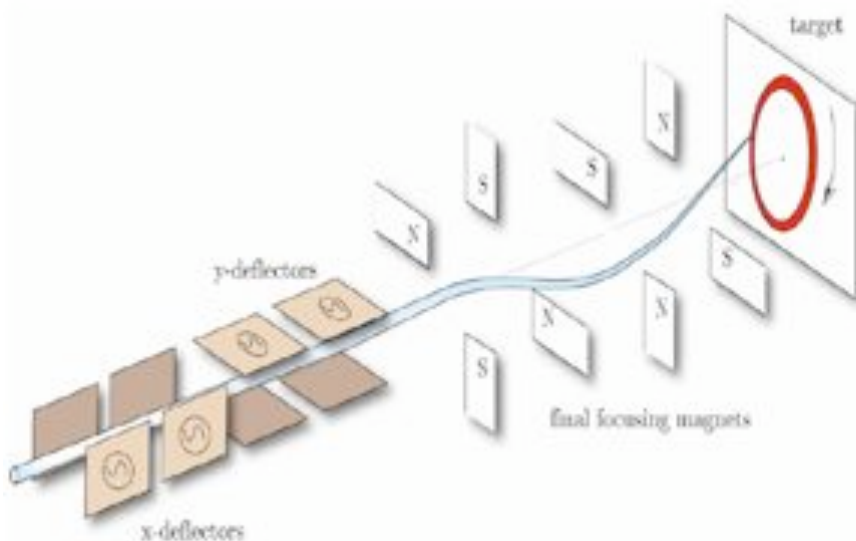
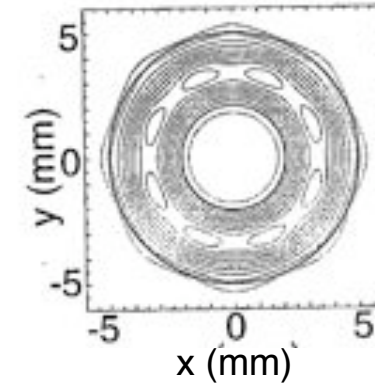
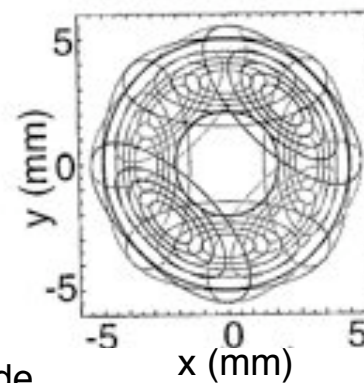
Conventional design
uses multiple
overlapping beams
with static focii

Each beam is
an ellipse



$a=4.2\text{mm}$
 $b=1.8\text{mm}$
95% charge inside

Eight beams overlap to give
azimuthal symmetry ($\sim 1.5\%$ $m=8$)



Application of wobbler field is being
investigated for producing
annular hollow beams together
with potential beam smoothing
and R-T stabilization

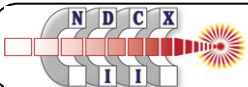
Conjecture

"If a big accelerator lab had made a commitment to develop heavy ion fusion in 1975, as LLNL did for laser fusion, and had spent the same amount of money as was spent on either (a) laser fusion ($\sim 200\text{M}/\text{yr} \times 30 \text{ years} = \sim 6\text{B}\$$) or (b) high energy particle accelerators for science ($\sim 400 \text{ M} \times 30 \text{ yr} = 12 \text{ B}\$$), it is virtually certain that a 5-10 MJ heavy ion accelerator would be available today for ignition studies.

The accelerator would have evolved differently, towards $\sim 3\text{-}10 \text{ GeV}$ instead of $\geq 1\text{TeV}$ (to stop the beams in targets), and towards 50-100 parallel beams, instead of 1 beam (for illumination symmetry)."

B.G. Logan,

Director, Heavy Ion Fusion Science Virtual National Laboratory,
February 12, 2011.

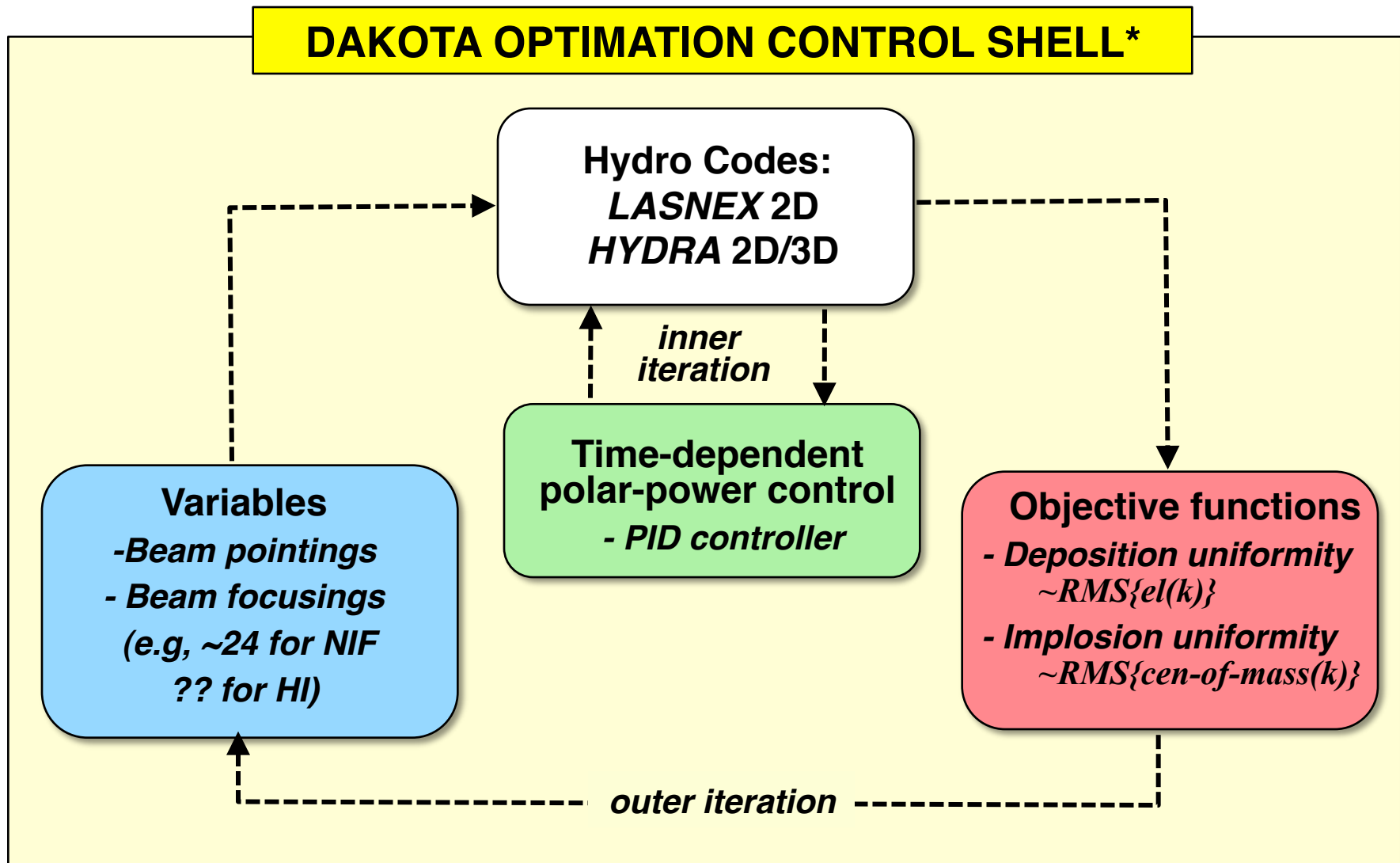


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Heavy Ion Polar Direct Drive: Our optimization formalism will exercise LLNL computation facilities to their limit

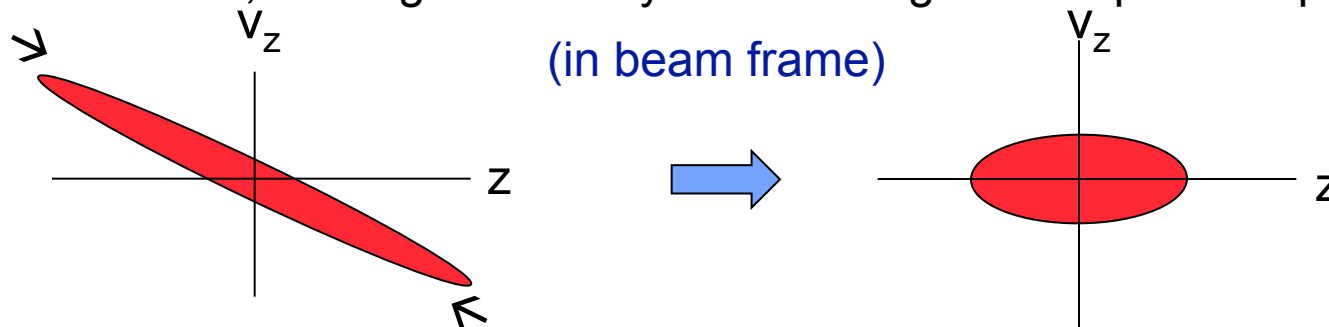


* DAKOTA – Sandia National Laboratory, <http://www.cs.sandia.gov/DAKOTA/index.html> (= “UQ Pipeline” at LLNL)

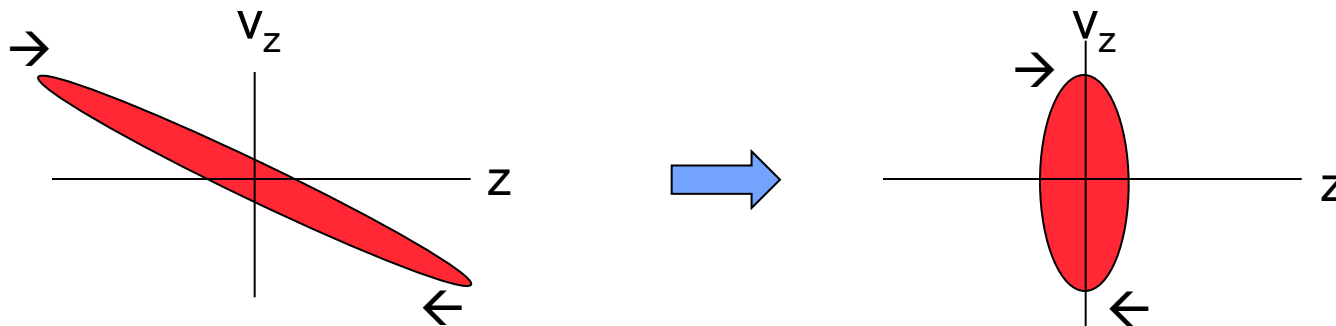
Drift compression is used to longitudinally compress an ion bunch



- Induction cells impart a head-to-tail velocity gradient (“tilt”) to the beam
 - The beam shortens as it “drifts” down the beam line
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- In **non-neutral drift compression**, the space charge force opposes (“stagnates”) the inward flow, leading to a nearly mono-energetic compressed pulse:



- In **neutralized drift compression**, the space charge force is eliminated, resulting in a shorter pulse but a larger velocity spread:



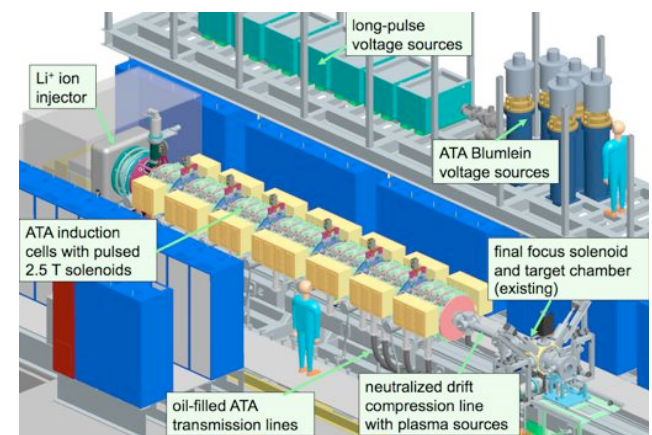
Heavy Ion Fusion beam physics experimental/modeling status



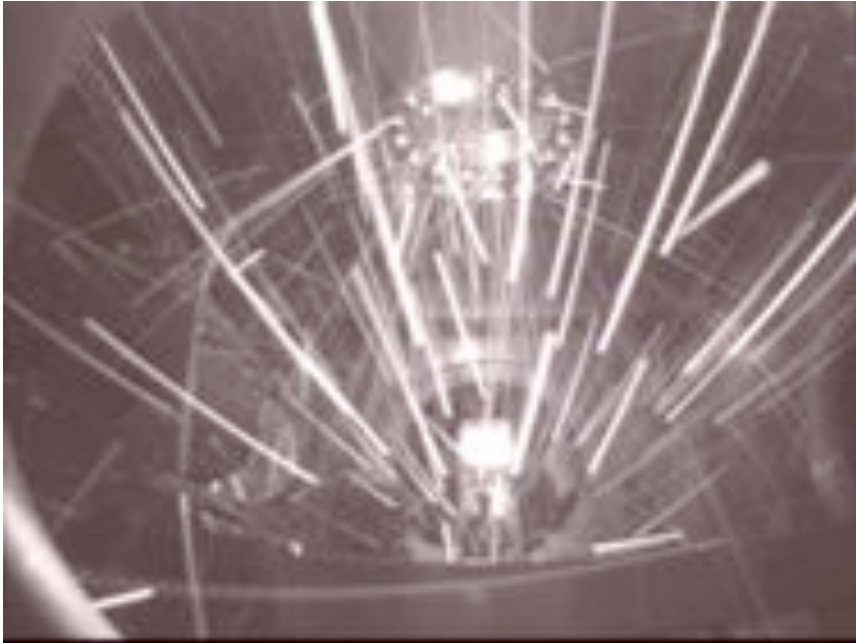
- Experiments and simulations have addressed most driver beam manipulations, giving confidence to projections of beam brightness on target.
 - Most had currents of 10–20 mA but driver-like dimensionless parameters, e.g., perveance (\propto current/velocity³) and “tune depression” (space charge defocusing)



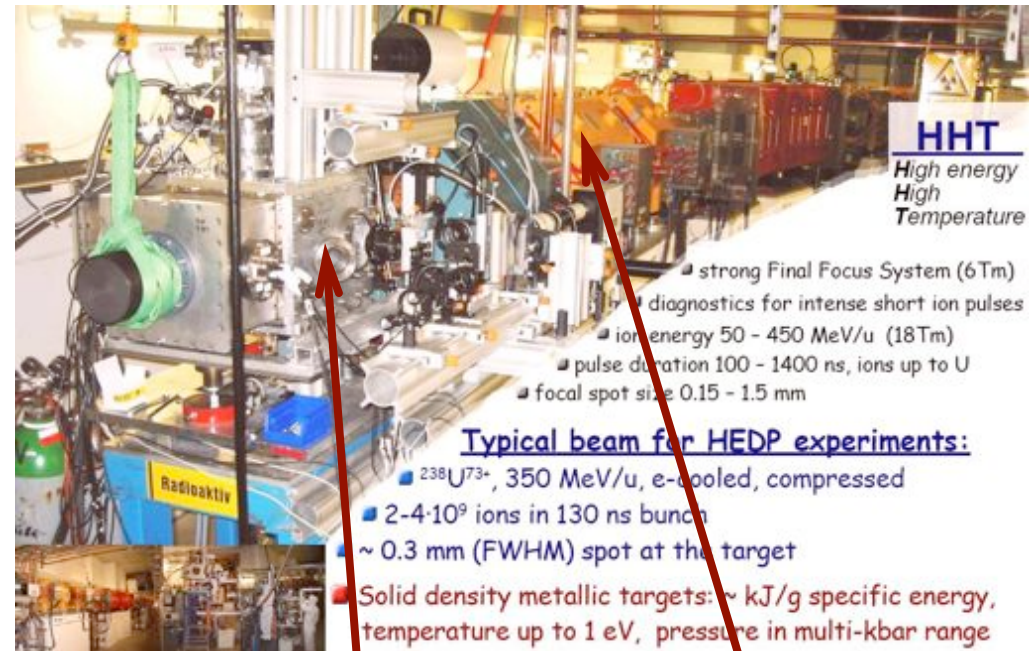
- The Neutralized Drift Compression Experiment-II (NDCX-II) at LBNL should reach ~100A on target →
- Studies of heavy ion power plants predict a COE similar to that of other fusion options, assuming that:
 - it'll be possible to fabricate targets inexpensively
 - liquid-wall target chambers can be cleared rapidly
 - cost-effective drivers can be built.



VNL targets have been heated with 0.3 A, 83 GeV U^{+73} ions focused to $150\mu\text{m}$ radius spots on target at GSI Darmstadt



Visible ms camera frame showing hot target debris droplets flying from a VNL gold target (\sim few mg mass) isochorically heated by a 130 ns, 50 J heavy ion beam to $\sim 1 \text{ TW}/\text{cm}^2$ peak and 1 eV in joint experiments at GSI, Germany.



HHT
High energy
High
Temperature

- strong Final Focus System (6Tm)
- diagnostics for intense short ion pulses
- ion energy 50 - 450 MeV/u (18Tm)
- pulse duration 100 - 1400 ns, ions up to U
- focal spot size 0.15 - 1.5 mm

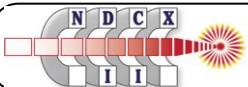
Typical beam for HEDP experiments:

- $^{238}\text{U}^{73+}$, 350 MeV/u, e-cooled, compressed
- $2-4 \cdot 10^9$ ions in 130 ns bunch
- $\sim 0.3 \text{ mm}$ (FWHM) spot at the target
- Solid density metallic targets: $\sim \text{kJ/g}$ specific energy, temperature up to 1 eV, pressure in multi-kbar range

Diagnostic optics

Final focus magnets

The new FAIR upgrade of GSI's accelerator will allow joint cryo hydrogen compression experiments relevant to heavy ion fusion with much more (80 kJ) of uranium beam energy.



Ion stopping in HYDRA and LASNEX rad-hydro target codes



$$-\frac{dE}{dx} = \underbrace{\left[\frac{4\pi e^4}{m_e c^2} \right]}_{5.1e-21 \text{ keV cm}^2} \underbrace{\left[\frac{N_e \rho_T}{A_T} \right]}_{\frac{\rho_T}{A_T}} \left[\frac{Z_{eff}^2}{\beta^2} \right] \left\{ (Z_T - \bar{Z}) \text{Log } \Lambda_s + \bar{Z} G(\beta / \beta_s) \text{Log } \Lambda_p \right\}$$

ρ_T = target density in g / cm³, A_T = target atomic weight

Z_T = target atomic number, \bar{Z} = target ionization state

$$\Lambda_s = \frac{2m_e c^2 \beta^2}{\bar{I}}, \quad \Lambda_p = \frac{m_e c^2 \beta^2}{\hbar \omega_p}, \quad G(x) = \text{erf}(x) - x \text{erf}'(x) = 1 \text{ for } x \gg 1$$

\bar{I} = average ionization potential = .01 Z_T keV (Bloch's rule)

ω_p = plasma frequency = $\sqrt{4\pi e^2 n_e / m_e}$ = 56416 $\sqrt{n_e}$ / sec

$\hbar \omega_p = (3.7e-14) \sqrt{n_e}$ keV, n_e = electron density in 1 / cm³ = $\bar{Z} N_e \rho_T / A_T$

$$\text{Ion Beam : } \beta = v/c, \quad \gamma = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-\beta^2}} = 1 + \frac{E}{Mc^2}$$

E = Kinetic Energy of Ion Beam in keV,

Mc^2 = Ion Beam Rest Energy = $A_{ionbeam}$ (9.3e5) keV

$m_e c^2$ = Electron Rest Energy = 511 keV

$$\text{Betz Empirical } Z_{eff} = Z_{ionbeam} \left[1 - \exp(-137 \beta_{eff} / Z_{ionbeam}) \right]$$

$$\beta_{eff}^2 = \beta^2 + \beta_s^2, \quad \text{with } \gamma_s = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-\beta_s^2}} = 1 + \frac{kT_e}{m_e c^2}$$

Relativistic Correction : $\text{Log } \Lambda_s \rightarrow \text{Log } \Lambda_s + R$, $\text{Log } \Lambda_p \rightarrow \text{Log } \Lambda_p + R/2$

where $R = 2 \text{Log } \gamma - \beta^2$